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## FINLAND WILL FIGHT TO THE DEATH

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
"The whole country will fight to the death," declared Field-Marshal Baron Mannerheim, the Finnish Commander-in-Chief, to-day.  
"In an order of the day," he continued, "the President has made me supreme chief of the defence forces."  
"The first condition of success is that the country have confidence in its chief."  
"This war is nothing but the continuation and final act of our fight for liberty."—Reuter.

### RED PLANES MACHINE-GUN CIVILIANS

## APPALLING MASS MURDER IN EAST END OF HELSINKI

Amsterdam, Yesterday.  
EVERYWHERE FINNISH towns and villages are in flames, and people are still streaming out into the wintry countryside to shelter from the Russian bombs, according to the latest direct news reaching here.

The skill and accuracy of the Finnish artillery has greatly impressed foreign observers, according to the correspondent of the newspaper "Het-volk."

The correspondent says an extraordinary high percentage of shots reach their mark.  
Eye-witnesses describe the slaughter in the labouring district of Soerneen, Helsinki's East End, as appalling.

People thronged the big open squares to avoid burial in the debris of collapsing houses, and the Reds dropped bombs right in the middle of them.

The Red planes came so low they grazed the roofs, and ruthlessly machine-gunned the terrified civilians.

NIGHT IN FORESTS  
A CORRESPONDENT REPORTS THAT THE CIVILIAN POPULA-

## AMAZING CALM OF FINNS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
The population of the capital remains amazingly calm and is highly cheered by the news of the Finnish recapture of Petsamo.

It is officially disclosed that sixteen more Soviet planes have been shot down.  
It is confirmed, by a broadcast message by the German Legation, that all Germans in Finland have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to evacuate at a moment's notice.—Havas.

### RED ARMY BADLY EQUIPPED

London, Yesterday.  
Norwegian press reports state that the Russian troops defeated by the Finns on the northern front were exhausted, badly equipped and ill nourished.—Reuter.

### FRENCH CALL MORE MEN TO COLOURS

Paris, Yesterday.  
France is calling up more men to the colours.  
It was officially announced this afternoon that men of the First Reserve will report by December 15.  
They will be sent to the front to replace men of the 1919 Class who will be withdrawn from the fighting zone.—Reuter.

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More than half the population of the capital has now evacuated, chiefly by the roads leading to the north.

In spite of the raids, morale remains high and there is no talk of surrender.—Reuter.

COMPULSORY EVACUATION AT ANY MOMENT

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
After a quiet night the inhabitants of Helsinki were again disturbed by the air raid alarm at 8.45 this morning.

People rushed into shelters and the streets were soon deserted, but the alarm was evidently false as the all clear sounded five minutes later.

The compulsory evacuation of Helsinki may be effected at any moment. All arrangements have been made and exemplary order and discipline is being maintained.

The Government and administrative departments will probably follow the example of large business firms and evacuate to other towns.

There are unconfirmed rumours that the German colony is returning to Germany to-day.

### CONFIRMATION FROM HELSINKI DIRECT

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
The lie is given in no uncertain fashion to Red claims that their air force is not attacking the civilian population by the ruthless machine-gunning of civilians by Russian planes yesterday.

During the bombing of Helsinki, Red planes swooped low over the capital and machine-gunned fleeing people in the streets of the working class district.

Russian planes also machine-gunned civilians in other towns which have been shelled or bombed.—Reuter.

# RED ARMY ROUTED

*Finnish Army Recaptures Petsamo In Dawn Attack:::Heavy Casualties Among Invaders:::Sharp Fighting*

## Firm Challenge On All Three Fronts

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

TROMSOE, YESTERDAY.  
SUGGESTIONS THAT FINLAND WOULD CAPITULATE IN THE FACE OF THE SAVAGERY OF THE RED ONSLAUGHT BY LAND, SEA AND AIR, ARE NOW COMPLETELY DISCOUNTED.

Fighting magnificently, the Finnish army is hitting back on all fronts, and the first major success of the Red Army, the capture of Petsamo, was converted in a swift manoeuvre this morning into a disastrous setback.

Petsamo has been recaptured by the Finns, according to messages from the Rybachy Peninsula since confirmed by trustworthy sources.

The sensational recapture of the Arctic port by the Finnish forces was the result of a counter-attack which took the Reds completely by surprise.

Marching through the Arctic night over roads deep in snow, the Finnish troops carried out a surprise attack at dawn.

Aided by falling snow and with the co-operation of their air force, the Finns routed the Russian garrison and completely occupied the town. Finnish bombers caused many casualties among the Red troops.

Numerous Red prisoners were taken, and the Russian losses were considerable.

### "SCORCHED EARTH" POLICY

Where Finland's nickel mines appear likely to fall into Red hands, the Finnish army has orders to blow them up in case of a Russian advance.

Farmers are firing their farms so that they will not fall into Soviet hands.

Yesterday's Finnish successes on the Karelian front, included the reported destruction of 36 tanks, which indicates a fighting spirit and well equipped forces.

Thousands of Finns have fled across the border into Norway, and 150,000 have left Helsinkings and other southern towns and are making their way into the interior through heavy snow.

The Finnish Cabinet met at noon to-day. —Havas.

### LAKE LADOGA ATTACK REPULSED

Berne, Yesterday.  
THE "BASLER NACHRICHTEN" reports that the Finns have repulsed the first Soviet offensive, which aimed at turning the Finnish Army north from Lake Ladoga.

The Finns are taking advantage of their forests and lakes—territory which tanks cannot penetrate.—Havas.

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
The Finns are now fighting back valiantly, and with much success, in all three spheres of operations—on land, sea and in the air.

In a broadcast, the Premier, M. Ryt, declared: "There is no question of capitulation."  
"We will negotiate on every issue."

THREE MORE RAIDS  
Helsinki has been raided another three times, the last two raids being mainly on the working class district. Some buildings have been destroyed and the casualties included women and children.

The number of casualties is not yet known but the effect of the air raids was less than the earlier attacks.

This is partly due to the greater success of the anti-aircraft batteries, and also partly to the fact that half the population left in Helsinki have evacuated the capital.

BUSINESS MOVES OUT  
Another air raid warning was sounded in Helsinki this morning, but the all clear went a few minutes later.

Many business firms have moved out.  
The food situation is satisfactory but the food shops are open only at irregular intervals.

Shops close when the air raid warning is sounded and, sometimes do not open again the same day.

Other towns are being rapidly evacuated.  
Two towns at the western end of the Gulf of Finland have been shelled and bombed.

The Reds are suffering considerable losses in spite of their merciless air raids.  
The spirit of the Finnish people is quite unbroken by the Red threats and bombs. —Reuter.



Eternal vigilance: A gunner on board a British vessel in convoy through the North Sea danger zone on constant watch with his A.A. Lewis Gun. (By Air Mail. Copyright).

## MYSTERY STORY

LONDON, YESTERDAY.  
A STRANGE STORY WAS CIRCULATING IN ENGLAND YESTERDAY THAT 16 GERMAN FLYINGBOATS HAD FLOWN TO HOLLAND AND SURRENDERED. THE STORY WAS LATER OFFICIALLY DENIED.

Origin of the story is hard to trace but it is believed that a special department has been formed in the Nazi Propaganda Ministry to spread false stories through the neutral press.

Object is to ensure their appearing in the Allied press and then to spread irrefutable evidence that the stories are untrue, thus discrediting the Allied news.—Reuter.

## SWEDEN'S NEUTRALITY

STOCKHOLM, YESTERDAY.  
THE STRONG DESIRE OF SWEDEN TO MAINTAIN HER NEUTRALITY WAS STRESSED TO-DAY BY THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. P. A. HANSSON.

In spite of the difficulties of maintaining Swedish relations, the disregard of Swedish territorial waters and the loss of ships, Sweden would neglect nothing to show her sincere desire for neutrality.—Reuter.

### SOVIET PUPPET EFFRONTERY

## TERIJOKI NOT YET IN RUSSIAN HANDS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.  
The Finnish Legation has issued a communique drawing attention to the fact that the Finnish Communist Party was suppressed in 1930 by the decision of the Helsinki Parliament.

It is recalled that immediately after the Great War the so-called Finnish Communist Party was created in Moscow, mainly by Finnish emigrants, and therefore the puppet government set up at Terijoki is merely an emanation from the Comintern. —Havas.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Washington, Yesterday.  
The Finnish Minister to Washing-

ton, M. Jarnefeldt, has made a statement to the press that the creation by the Soviets of a "puppet government" clearly demonstrates what the Soviet assertions concerning a peaceful settlement were worth.

He added that the Soviets want to incorporate Finland into the Soviet Union and Bolshevize the country.—Havas.

Berne, Yesterday.  
The Finnish Legation announces that M. Kuusinen, head of the new Finnish "people's government," was a member of the "Red" Finnish government in 1918.

He later fled to Moscow, where until now he has been one of the secretaries of the Third International. The Legation adds that Terijoki, where the new "government" is reported to have been established, is not in Russian hands.—Reuter.

## SANCTIONS BY UNITED STATES

New York, Yesterday.  
The "Washington Post" reports that United States aviation manufacturers, following the Army ban, have already stopped the supply of warplanes to the Soviet Union.  
The Russian official mission is going from one factory to another and is offering large amounts of cash for fighting aircraft of various types, but without success.—Reuter.

### THE RED ARMY'S COMMUNIQUE

## CLAIMS ADVANCE PROCEEDS

Leningrad, Yesterday.  
A Red Army Command communique broadcast to-day claims that the forces of the Leningrad military district continued the advance during yesterday in the direction of Murmansk, and occupied Petsamo.

"Our troops approached Murmansk and also advanced 25 kilometres beyond the frontier in the region of Peetrasmelk."

"In the Karelian Isthmus, our troops have reached the mouth of the River Vokli."

"On the shores of Lake Ladoga we have occupied the railway stations at Rauti and Terijoki and several others."

"Finnish troops set fire to villages and forcibly compelled the inhabitants to withdraw with them."

"During air engagements 10 Finnish planes were shot down, and two of ours have not returned."—Reuter.

SEVEN MILES  
Moscow, Yesterday.  
A Russian communique on the hostilities against Finland claims that Red Army troops have advanced seven miles at several points.

The communique alleges that Finnish troops are setting fire to their villages as they withdraw. The Russians admit the loss of two planes.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.  
A communique issued in Leningrad by the Red General Staff states that the Finns are retreating.—Reuter.

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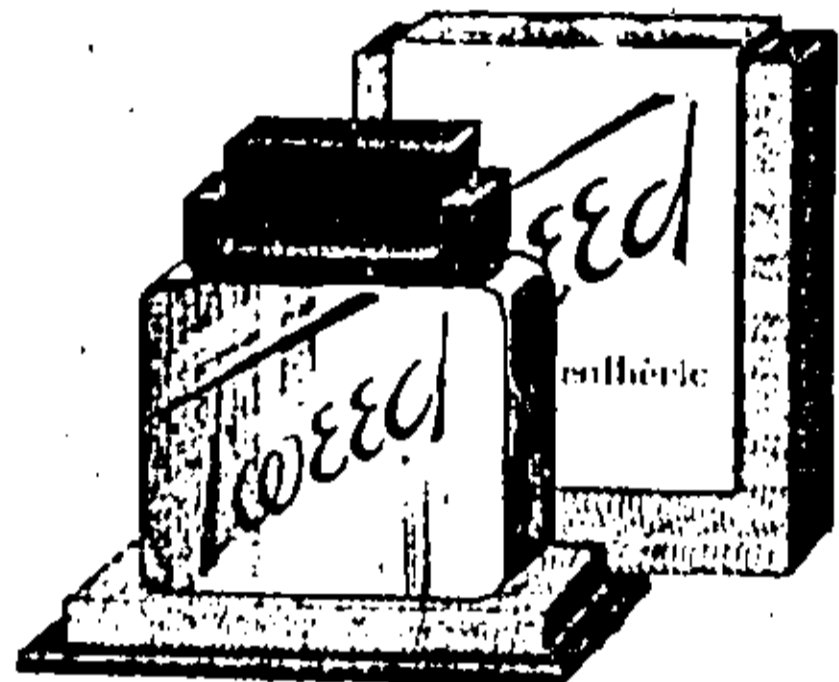
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## PARIS FASHIONS IN WARTIME

# PATOU'S NEW LINE

PARIS is preparing to show mid-season collections on a modified scale, a few of the big couturiers having reopened.

Some civilian women war workers in Paris are distinguished by gas-mask bags and "Sam Browne" belts of khaki fabric simply worn over their tailored suits. Khaki is used, but in lighter shade.

### SLEEPING BAGS

Sleeping bags of toile d'avion will give comfort when winter comes, not only to slip on over pyjamas, in shelters should air raids come at night, but as a substitute for blankets where convalescents are numerous. Except for being closed at one end, they appear like eider-downs closed down centre front by a zipper.

Simple straight tops are made from thick reversible colour woolen with detachable hoods that fasten in beneath turned down collar-lines. Only the sleeves are lined. Patou makes a very neat air-raid shelter woolen pyjama. It is all in one and looks snug with long sleeves, matching coloured button fasteners, fabric belt and turndown collar into which is tucked a contrasting coloured or fancy patterned handkerchief muffler.

### KNITTED HELMETS

At one of the little shops owned by women with individual taste in gadgets favoured by Parisian shoppers an idea is to follow, in a measure, accessories applying to military and aviation kit. Little "toile d'avion" quilted eider-down jackets resemble sleeveless sheep-skin jackets. Aviation helmets are knitted from coloured wool to match mitten gloves with free thumbs and first fingers.

Gas-mask containers are numerous and range from plain woolen affairs to capacious handbags studded over with burnished steel nail heads designed with flat pockets for identity papers, flintstones containing metal mirror, comb and nail-file, also an inside socket for electric torch.

## FACE MASSAGE AT HOME

THERE are various methods of face massage used by beauty-parlour assistants which can easily be practised at home. The following is simple, but whichever method you choose remember always to work the fingers in an upward and outward direction and to use the cushions of the fingers.

(a) Having cleaned the face and neck smear the massage cream lightly from forehead to base of neck. Start the massage at the middle of the chin using the first three fingers of each hand and with an upward rotary movement work firmly along jaw-bone to the lobes of the ears.

(b) Beginning at the corners of the mouth, using the same movement, work in towards the nose and out towards the ears, keeping under the cheek bone.

(c) Using the middle finger only of each hand start again at the corner of the nose working with a rotary movement up each side and continue over the eye to the outer corner. Then very lightly and gently work under the eye making a complete circle.

(d) Start at centre of forehead, using the three fingers of both hands, rotate upwards and outwards towards the temple. Repeat each of these movements three times.



"HANGING THEIR WASHING ON THE BIEGFRIED LINE."—These women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service (A.T.S.) thinking of the popular song at an Eastern Command camp. Picture taken during one of their many duties. (Copyright: Fox).

## WOMAN'S PLACE IS ON THE FARM

says CONSTANCE GODDARD who, with two younger sisters, inherited a 70-acre farm on condition that they lived on it and worked it themselves.

UP in this little corner of Peak-land we do not see much of the war. The hills are too high and the valleys too deep to be a happy hunting-ground for planes. Instead, the curlew wheels over the moors and the kestrel hunts motionless above his prey in the meadow below.

But the hill country is sending its quota of men, and the women in the farmsteads are doing their best to carry on. For farming is like no other industry. It cannot close down for an indefinite period, nor can the farmer go on strike... and, despite wars and the rumours of wars, the production of foodstuffs must go on.

This is where women come into their own.

The average farmer's wife or daughter is not a drone in the hive; from the time when she toddles after her mother with a bowl of oatmeal for the chickens to the day when she wins medals for her cheese or butter, she is learning to be useful.

We must not think of agriculture only in terms of ploughland and cornfields; there are a dozen other ways of making money on the farm and in these the woman farmer finds her best opening.

Even in the early days of my training at the Midland Agricultural College I was impressed by the way in which we were taught to utilize the by-products of farming. I learned to make small soft cheeses and to market them quickly while they are fresh; to cultivate soft fruits, especially raspberries—a paying crop—and to arrange a quicker system of sale so that profits can be diverted from the middle man.

I am not ashamed of packing a pony cart with produce and taking it into the nearest town to sell direct to the people.

### THE LIFE IS NOT EASY

The care of the dairy and the garden on a small farm is nearly always left to the women, and it is up to them to make these "departments" pay. Personally, I should like to see more co-operative farming among women. There are plenty of sturdy, sensible English-



women, some with capital and some without, who want to do some useful work in the world, to earn an independent livelihood, and to live and work in the open air.

The life of a woman farmer is not an easy one. She must be prepared to rise early—long before dawn—in winter. If she is keeping sheep, she may have to plod through snowy fields, for lambs come with the snow-drops, and the wind is not always kind to them. Or she may start the day between muddy yards and warm byres if she is a dairy farmer, for cows must be fed before they are milked.

But even in December, when snow, sleet and rain are all doing their best to discourage her, she will find music in the rattle of the great bars she takes down from the doors and in the rustling, shuffling, shaking of chains, and lowing of the cows who know that she is coming.

We are buying too much butter from other countries. Englishwomen make the finest butter in the world, and its production could be increased enormously if the women of the nation became really farm-minded.

Butter-making is one of the pleasantest jobs on a farm: there are few finer sights than that of a good dairy with its pans of milk and cream and its rolls of golden butter all ready for market.

A word of warning: make really good butter or else make something else. The best butter is made from grass-fed cows and from cream newly separated from fresh milk and churned right away. Don't stint on your equipment: it pays to have a really good churn and separator. And don't keep a strong-smelling cheese in the dairy and then expect to have good butter.

The poultry shed is another sphere for feminine labour. Here specialisation pays, for hens, like human womenfolk, are contrary, and would rather lay in May than December. That's where the incubator comes in. Get your chicks early enough and you will have early layers—and broilers for market—certain winners.

### CHANCE FOR ORGANISERS

There is a practically unlimited market for really good butter and eggs, for plump, well-fed fowls, raspberries and black currants, for all kinds of small soft cheeses. But these things must be marketed quickly, for they soon deteriorate. Women who have deft fingers and organising ability will find success in this sphere.

It is pitiful to see derelict fields and farms in days like these. One last word to women who see opportunity in these idle acres: you will reap what you sow. Capital, labour and intelligence pay rich dividends, but they are not all. You must love your work, love the countryside and your animals.

There are the greatest dividends.

## QUICK COVERAGE FOR AIR RAIDS

WHAT the well dressed woman in Paris wears now includes clothes for an air raid. According to a recent Association Press dispatch, she is prepared for when the sirens wail and the lights fall. She can duck into a shelter as well as countered for this occasion as for her last ball.

With most noted fashion houses closed, specialty shops and department stores are catering to women air-raid customers. Middle of the night alarms develop a technique of rapid dressing. Air-raid minded ladies are finding tight-knit silk trousers and windbreaker jackets with light wrists the last word in chic coverage and quick getaway.

Some prefer shooting suits with four-pocket coats of corduroy or leather. Gas masks are shouldered with these instead of guns and flashlights. The big pockets are handy for ammunition like handkerchiefs, gloves, sandwiches, and playing cards.

A smart hooded garment specially designed for air-raid sorties is made of thick soft wool in well named midnight blue. It is long sleeved, snug, belted, and buttons the way from neck to ankle. No underthings show when this garment is worn and it goes on in record time.



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# For A Peace Worth Winning

THE Labour Party, in the form of a statement by Mr. C. R. Attlee, has attempted a first sketch of its aims in this war.

It is a good and typical summary of the thought of the Party at the present stage of a struggle which is rather a siege than a war.

History teaches that we never know what a war is about until it ends. While we drift in twilight calm, this admirably disinterested manifesto, other forces behind the scenes are working for very different ends.

Labour had an equally enlightened plan in the last war: others wrote the Treaty of Versailles.

We shall have to transform this sober document of good sense into a faith that can inspire us to victory, not merely over the enemy's bombers and submarines, but over reactionaries.

Wisely and rightly, this manifesto said little about territorial war aims. We did not enter this war to redraw the map of Europe. There are values in life that far transcend the colour of a flag.

The frontiers that concern us are those of freedom and humanity. These we can extend only by helping the German to regain what Hitler's revolt against reason and mercy has destroyed.

## Restore Czechs

The little that had to be said on this score, was well said. Certainly we must restore to the Czechs and the Poles their national existence, but to the former frontiers of Poland we are not committed.

The Austrians must be free to decide their future for themselves. If Germany has returned to democracy, they may be content to remain within its borders. But the future of the Czechs and other people whose numbers are no measure of their civilisation, depends on the structure that Europe evolves for herself. Unless we end the anarchy that has cursed it in the past, they could not survive as national States. One searching question civilised

men beyond our island will address to us, when they scrutinise plans for the future: What contribution do we propose to make to a better world?

We are the chief of the "Have" Powers. The gangster States, when they go raiding, excuse themselves by pointing to our vast empire of privilege and monopoly. They can say, as Hitler is never tired of saying, that all our wars are waged to defend our swollen possessions.

There is only one honest answer to that charge—an offer to abandon our privileges. If Mr. Chamberlain could be induced to make it without equivocation and at once, his declaration would do more to shorten the war than all the munitions we shall draw from America.

The Labour Party has said it proposes to place our dependent Empire under an international authority.

## No Advantage

The details of that offer in their bearing on the welfare and emancipation of the natives will have to be carefully thought out. But other European peoples should be left in no doubt as to what it means for them. It means that we propose for the future to draw no economic advantage, from our political connection with these territories.

Preferential tariffs must be a thing of the past. The old quasi-monopoly in the investment of capital must come to an end. Their raw materials should be under a planned international control, in which consumers of all countries share on an equal footing.

So long as these backward colonies need white administrators, officers, technicians, and scientists, these should be drawn impartially from the whole of Europe. Finally, these colonies must be demilitarised.

Until a British Government says all this explicitly, the belief will linger, in Moscow as in Berlin, that our zeal for democracy and our dislike of aggression are only masks. If we care at all to put ourselves right with the world, it is in India, above all, that we must do it. India, for the imagination of our neigh-

bours, the symbol of the wealth our fathers won by force. Wherever we have fought, wherever we have entrenched ourselves, we were defending our possession of India.

At Gibraltar and at the Cape, in Egypt yesterday, and behind the Maginot Line to-day, we fought and still fight for our title to India. When we give her freedom, men will rail their eyes in bewilderment, and face the possibility that we really are the champions of democracy.

## In India

The Party's manifesto says plainly that we concede to the Indian "the right to decide his own future." That is enough, though I could have wished for a word or two about the timing of this act of decision. It should begin under an Indian Ministry to-day, and it should be completed within a year from the return of peace.

The adoption by the Party of the peace aim, "Europe must federate or perish," is a notable event in the history of our Continent. The idea is on the march. Lord Halifax has spoken of it with caution, yet with sympathy.

This document, wisely at this stage, does not define it in any detail; but it gives some indications of what we have in mind.

First, it hopes to include in this Federation a Germany that has returned to her allegiance to the civilisation of the West. Without her, indeed, it could hardly come into

By H. N. Brailsford

being. To this Federation, as the final authority, we should transfer sovereignty over the dependent colonies.

The military question bristles with difficulties, but it is the crux. The principle at which we should aim is manifestly that the Federation shall undertake the defence of all its members. It alone shall possess from flank or rear.

We shall fail if we are content to say in a tone of patronage that the Federation must defend the Czechs and other smaller States. Only when we, ourselves, look to it for safety shall we insist that it shall work. The ideal is that Europe should have, like the United States of America, a single federal army, navy and air force, though, as in America, each State might have its militia. That would be a mighty advance to take at one step.

## Sea Power

I note, as Continental readers also will, that the Party's document is silent about sea power. What it proposes is the creation of a federal air force. If to this we added a mechanised striking force, we should have a real beginning.

But, whatever we do, we cannot allow the member-States to arm against the Federation. If they retain their national militias, they must not compete in armament with the federal force.

All the thorny political problems that we have to face must be solved before we could create even a federal air force. It would have to be maintained by some form of federal taxation.

We must be sure that the men whom the Federation equips, pays, and commissions, will serve it, loyally, and work together as an international team. If an idea unites them, this will be easy, as it was in Spain.

After a war, the military problem may have to take precedence of every other. But our Federation ought to figure in our thoughts, primarily as an organisation that will facilitate co-operation in the daily life of peace.

The lawyers who made the League of Nations tried to hold it together by penalties and sanctions. We should look rather to its economic benefits as the cement that binds it.

## Air Control

It should control transport and communications, especially in the air. It might, as Mr. Cole proposes, unify our system of patents and our commercial code. It might not be able to abolish all tariffs between members at once; but certainly it should lower them. It might unify the Central Banks.

It ought to have a central authority for economic planning. This might not be able to impose its authority on the member-States, but if it had at its disposal some control over credit and federal grants-in-aid, it could do much to guide our development.

If it could control the flow of investment across frontiers, it could exercise a socially creative influence. The ruling idea should be to raise the standards of the backward agricultural populations, coloured as well as white, to the level of the industrial peoples.

The reader will ask what kind of political machinery will govern this European Federation. One thing is clear: it will not work if it is what the League was—merely a collection of Sovereign States.

The peculiarity of a Sovereign State is that it is a law to itself. It has the right to injure itself and its neighbours, and for this it is accountable to no one. It will not bow to a majority vote. It can be bound only by a decision to which it has given its consent.

That was the meaning of the League's fatal rule of unanimity. Well, if our country goes into a Federation, will it consent to be over-ruled on occasion by the vote of a majority of the member-States? I doubt it.

I think we shall have to defeat the pride of Sovereign States, not by a frontal attack, but by taking it from flank or rear.

## People's Votes

We must call in the votes of the people. We must overrule States by counting heads.

In plain words, I think that at some point we must introduce the principle of popular election, direct or indirect. The Federal Congress might possibly have two Chambers—one nominated by Governments, the other elected by Parliaments, or, perhaps, directly.

The details may be left to the future. It is enough at this stage to say that our Federation must be built, as the League never was, on the representative principle. It must federate peoples and not merely Governments.

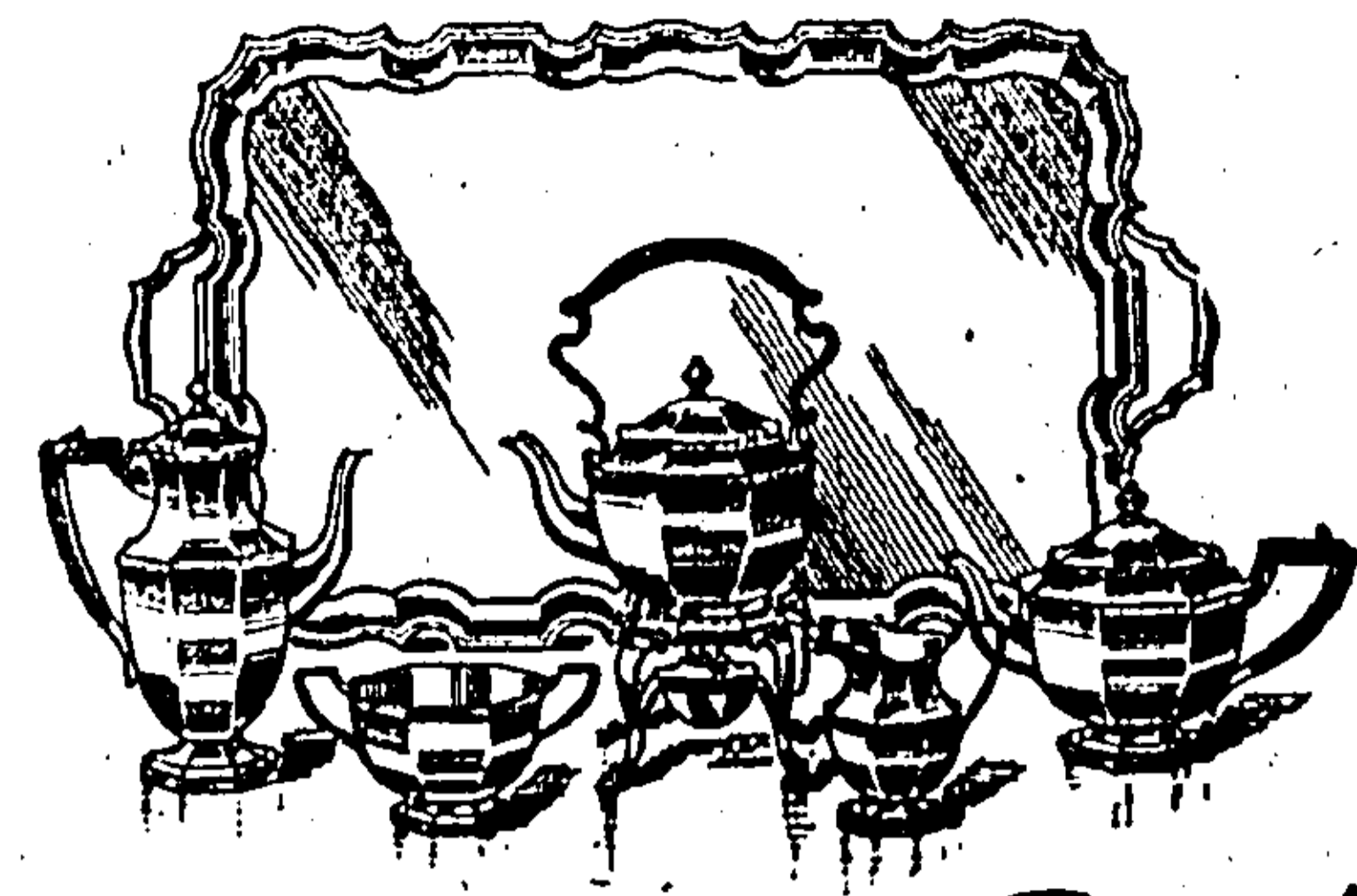
Labour accepts this idea easily. But let us not delude ourselves into supposing that its triumph will be easy.

The average Tory will dismiss it as something almost treasonable. In France, under M. Daladier, reaction is in power, and it will like the idea no better.

We shall have to use all the persuasion and all the pressure we can muster, for there are many Europeans, at home and abroad, who would rather perish than federate.

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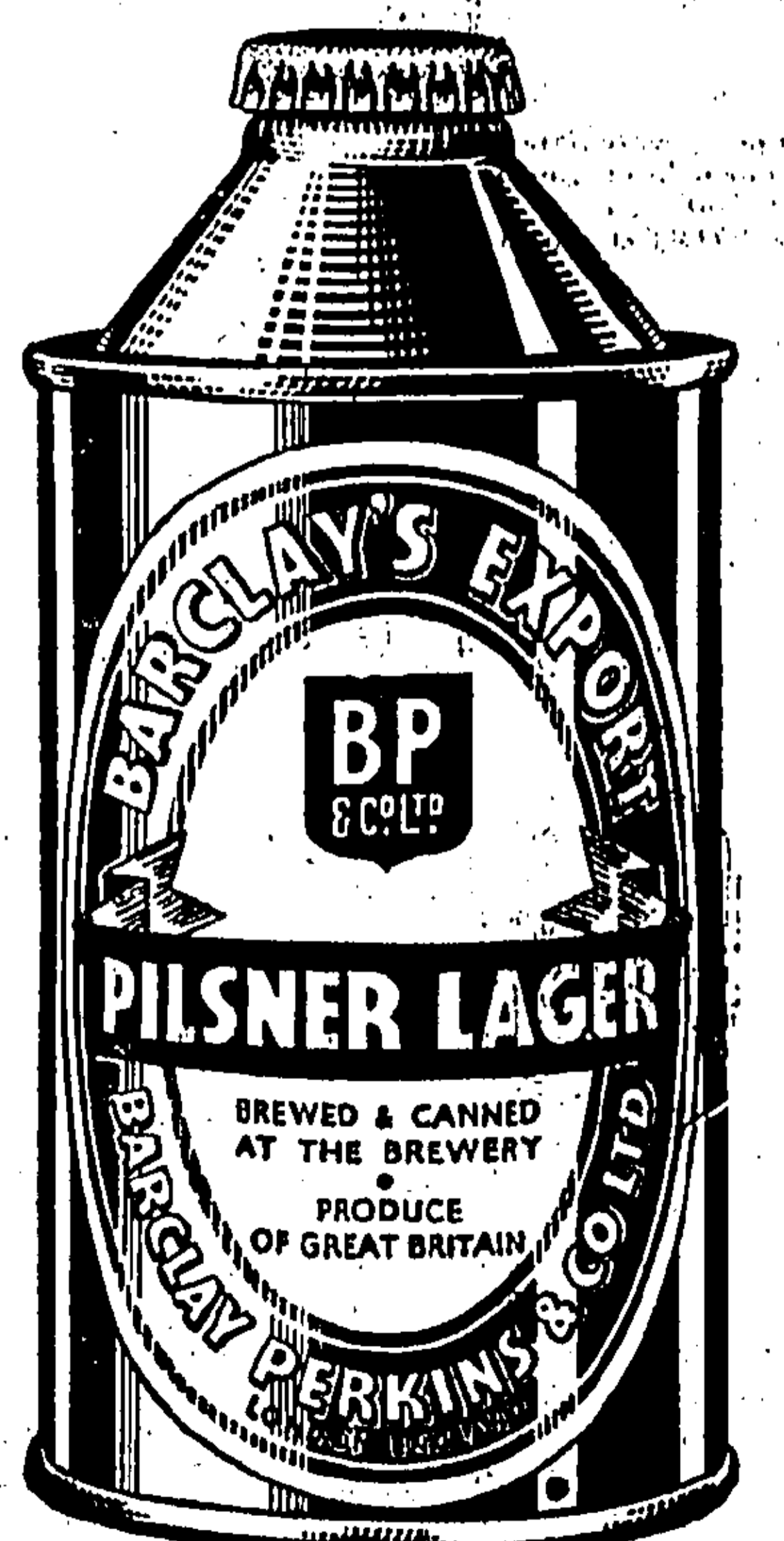
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## DALADIER BROADCAST ON THE WAR

Paris, Yesterday.

The Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, in a broadcast to the French nation last night on the course of the war, paid a tribute to the part played by the British Empire.

"The Germans, he said, thought they could separate France from Britain, who had actually lost more men than France.

"The vast resources of our two great Empires," M. Daladier declared, "are being used in the war, and there is not the slightest crack in the Democratic front."

The war, he went on, was in a waiting stage, but was far from unfavourable for the Allies.

### MAGINOT LINE

The Maginot Line had been increased in depth, and British and French troops behind the fortifications were now establishing mass manoeuvre positions which would stop any invasion.

"We will only lay down our arms," the French Premier concluded, "when our security is assured and when we can deal with a government whose signature can be relied upon."—Reuter.

## SEVERE AIR BATTLE OVER KANSU

Chungking, Yesterday.

A severe air battle took place over Lanchow, capital of Kansu province, at noon yesterday, when 40 Japanese bombers were engaged by Chinese pursuit craft. It is learned here to-day.

Several Japanese planes are believed to have been badly damaged, while one bomber crashed in eastern Kansu. — Reuter.

## BRITISH INSTITUTE

Rome, Yesterday.

THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR, SIR PERCY LORAIN, OPENED THE BRITISH INSTITUTE IN ROME TO-DAY.

Lord Lloyd, Chairman of the British Council, was also present. Object of the Institute is to enable Italian youth to study the English language and enjoy English literature. — Reuter.

### LEAGUE HEALTH EXPERTS TO PLAN

Geneva, Yesterday.

League of Nations health experts are making plans to meet health problems which may arise during the war. Their work will be absolutely neutral and will be chiefly concerned with food problems. — Reuter.

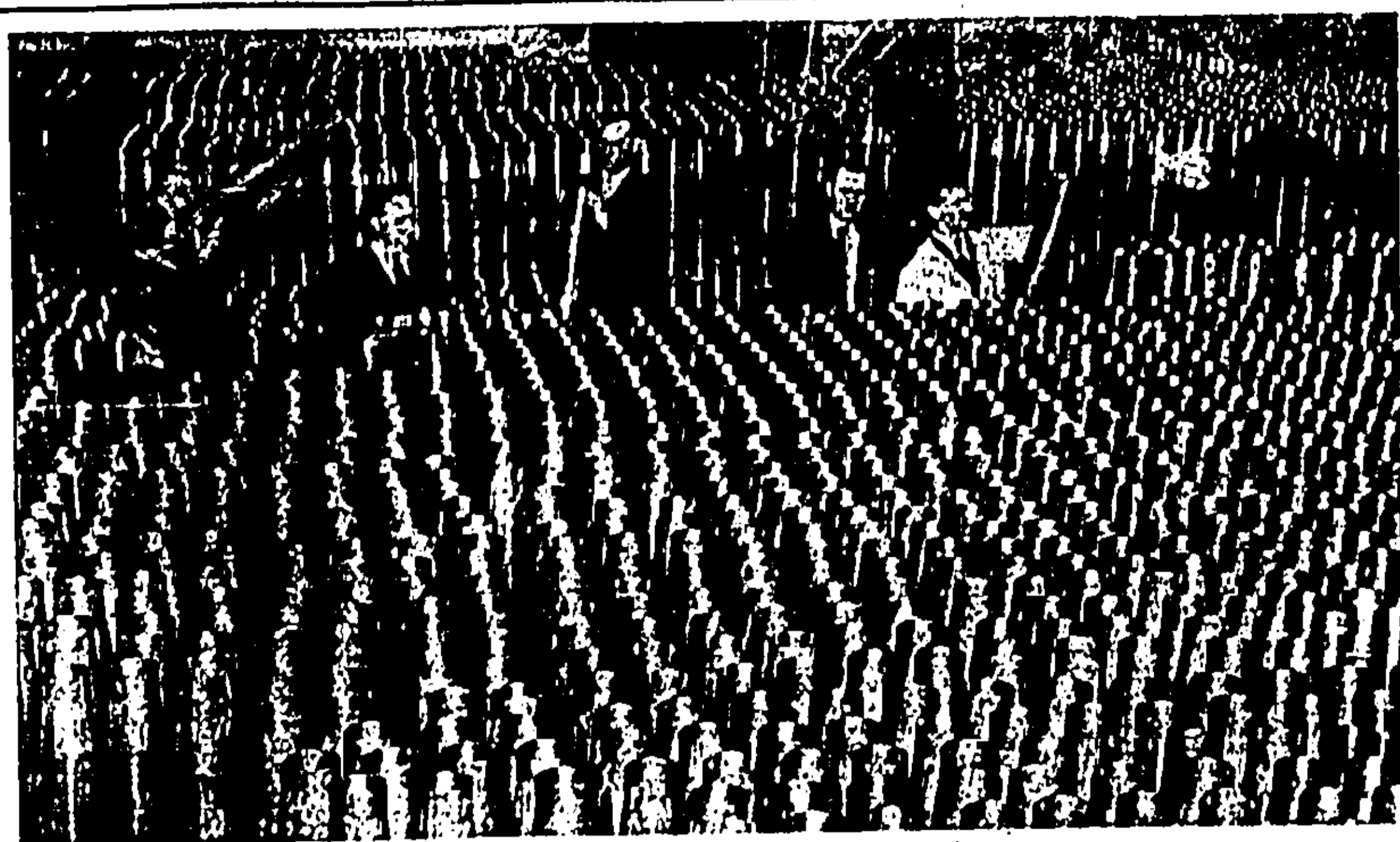
### SINGAPORE RUBBER

Singapore, Yesterday.

Shipments of rubber from Singapore in November totalled 49,200 tons, compared with 71,000 tons in October. — Reuter.

## Japanese Press Roundly Condemns Soviet Russia

# CONTEMPTIBLE ATTACK



A Royal Ordnance Factory working day and night at full pressure turning out thousands upon thousands of shells, cartridges, guns, etc., for the Forces. Photo shows just a few of the shell cases at the factory. (Copyright. By Air Mail).

## NAZI MILITARY ACTIVITY ON LUXEMBURG FRONTIER: RAID ON POST BEATEN OFF

London, Yesterday.

GREAT ACTIVITY BY German troops along the Moselle and a portion of the River Sauer, forming the German-Luxemburg frontier, is reported from Brussels.

Infantry, cavalry and motor transport are said to be continually on the move, while soldiers and workmen are busy on the fortifications.

Persistent rains in the past week have caused new floodings, and at many points the German barbed-wire entanglements are inundated.

## A SECOND CHARGE

Facing an amended charge of giving false information, Chan Yuk-ping, 29, was before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen yesterday for the second time in three days.

Chan was originally charged with obtaining \$5.50 from Detective No. C681 by false pretences.

At the first hearing, the Magistrate pointed out that the money was given voluntarily to accused and adjourned the case for 48 hours to enable the police to obtain legal advice.

Yesterday morning, Chan was accused of giving false information and was again remanded.

### COAL ORDERS FROM NORWAY

London, Yesterday.

North of England coal producers have received an order for 140,000 tons of coal from the Norwegian State Railways. — Reuter.

### DEFENCE LOANS

London, Yesterday.

The people of Great Britain have now contributed nearly £9,000,000 to the Government in the shape of £5,000,000 in defence bonds and £4,000,000 in savings certificates. — Reuter.

## "PRAVDA" FINDS AN "OPEN LETTER"

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Moscow, Yesterday.

"Pravda," the semi-official Soviet newspaper, publishes an open letter signed "The Finnish Communist Party" and addressed to the Finnish people.

The letter demands the formation of a common front of all workers and peasants and the creation of a popular government in Finland.

It also suggests the conclusion of a Soviet-Finnish mutual assistance pact, and finally advocates a political and social programme inspired by Soviet methods. — Havas.

## REFUGEE ROUND-UP ON BORDER

A SCHEME TO CONCENTRATE REFUGEE HUTS, HOUSING SOME 3,000 DESTITUTE WOMEN AND CHILDREN, ALONG THE FRONTIER, INTO ORDERLY TEMPORARY CAMPS IN SUITABLE AREAS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

The sites chosen are between Lok Ma Chau and Ta Ku Ling, and a hospital hut has been set up.

In response to a general appeal for assistance the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre, through its Chairman, has promised a supply of vegetable seeds, fertilizers, farming implements and plough-animals for the use of the refugees.

With this assistance, it is intended to get the refugees to cultivate the land on neighbouring hillsides. The Wai Young Relief Association is supplying rice.

## KWANGSI MANIFESTO

Kwelin, Yesterday.

The Kwangsi Government has issued a manifesto urging the people to defend the province in a staunch spirit. They are asked to co-operate with the armed forces and eliminate traitors.

Before Nanning's fall, practically all civilians and materials had been evacuated, according to Kwangsi Headquarters.

Most people went on foot but they were allowed to board any vehicle or boat on the way. — Central News.

### MISS E. M. SEQUIERA PASSES

The death occurred at the Kowloon Hospital yesterday afternoon of Miss Eileen Maria Sequiera. Miss Sequiera, who formerly resided in Shanghai, had been in Hong Kong for 11 years. Her death followed a short illness.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. S. Pinna and Mrs. J. M. Xavier.

## "POLICY WILL REVENGE ITSELF AS WORLD REFLECTS"

London, Yesterday.

THE BRITISH AND French newspapers continue to express horror at the Soviet action in Finland, and in the rest of the world the tide of indignation is noticeably rising.

The Norwegian Government organ says: "The Soviet has no respect for the independence of its small neighbours.

"This policy will revenge itself as the world sees what it means."

The Dutch newspaper, "Algemeen Handelsblad" says the invasion has aroused the same horror and indignation as the German invasion of Poland.

An Italian journal says: "We can never approve this odious action." In Tokyo, the "Asahi Shimbun" declares: "This blatant and contemptible aggression can find no justification."

EVERLASTING CONTEMPT In the United States, the press warmly approves President Roosevelt's declaration.

The "New York Times" declares: "The overwhelming opinion of the American people was stated by President Roosevelt.

"After their work in Finland is done, the Soviets will find that they have earned the everlasting distrust and contempt of the American people." — Reuter.

"INEXCUSABLE CRIME"

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The "Chugai Shogyo" declares that the Soviet's inexcusable crime against Finland is overthrowing order in the world and is disturbing the equilibrium among the nations.

The newspaper adds that the world is returning to the rapacious methods of plunder of the Dark Ages.

The "Asahi Shimbun" says it is impossible to find any justification and it therefore can only be described as the perpetration of an injustice by force. — Reuter.

### INDIGNATION IN UNITED STATES

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Washington, Yesterday.

Indignation against the Soviet is growing hourly.

All papers approve President Roosevelt's statements and many regret that more energetic measures were not taken.

Resentment against Hitlerism is simultaneously growing as public opinion now does not make much difference between Naziism and Com-

## ATTEMPT TO WRECK RESERVOIR

HELSINKI, YESTERDAY.

AN ATTEMPT TO WRECK HELSINKI'S WATERWORKS WAS THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF ONE OF THE SOVIET RAIDS TO-DAY.

The destruction of the waterworks would have caused acute distress among Helsinki's remaining population.

The heavy bombs dropped missed their main objective, however, and destroyed the main warehouse in the railway goods station, which blazed for hours, and wrecked the "Shell" petrol reservoir. — Reuter.

## AMERICAN WARNING

Berlin, Yesterday.

The German radio announces that Mr. Steinhardt, the U.S. Ambassador to Moscow, has warned M. Molotov that the United States will sever all relations with Soviet Russia unless Moscow enters on peaceful negotiations with Finland.

The German radio says it got this information from Russian quarters in Moscow. There is no confirmation in Washington. — Reuter.

### NO SHIPMENTS OF ARMS FROM U.S.

Washington, Yesterday.

The attitude of the United States towards the Soviet invasion has been further clarified (in addition to President Roosevelt's statement) by the announcement by the Department of War that clearance will not be granted for further military shipments to Russia. — Reuter.

munism and considers the extension of the Communist danger, exemplified by the threat to Finland, is possible only with Hitler's complicity.

Most papers, however, only advocate the recall of the U.S. Ambassador to Moscow, as the public still feels hostile to any action bringing the United States closer to the European conflict. — Havas.

### FANTASTICALLY ACCUSED

London, Yesterday.

In most newspapers to-day the invasion of Finland is the subject of editorial comment.

"The Times" says: "For the second time in three months a people seeking only to maintain their own life and liberty in the midst of huge overbearing neighbours has been fantastically accused of aggressive designs."

"For the second time negotiations have been terminated by the stronger party on a trumped up pretext and replaced by a sudden invasion in irresistible force."

TRAGIC PROCESSION

This newspaper's observation that "a dictator's armies are endeavouring to trample out the life of an unoffending republic; bombs, the characteristic weapon of the aggressor when the defence has no comparable air strength to reply, have been falling on open cities and the almost unprotected civil population, and the tragic procession of refugees straggling along roads that lead into the country from their blazing homes," is typical of the comparison which most writers draw between Stalin's policy with that of Hitler.

"The Times" recalls that "Molotov's declaration that he wished the Finnish people to determine their own form of government is already 48 hours old; it has served its purpose and may now be forgotten by its author."

EXTINCTION

Of the puppet administration set up at Terolli, "The Times" says: "The professed aim — dressed of course in the perfunctory disguise of a 'liberation' of the Finnish people — is to reduce Finland to the status of Outer Mongolia."

That State is nominally a free partner in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics but is in fact universally recognised as a subordinate buttress of Soviet imperialism in Asia."

The "Telegraph" comments: "Not a people's government but a Russian government is to be imposed on Finland, whose freedom and independence are to be extinguished in all but name."

"BULLET BOX"

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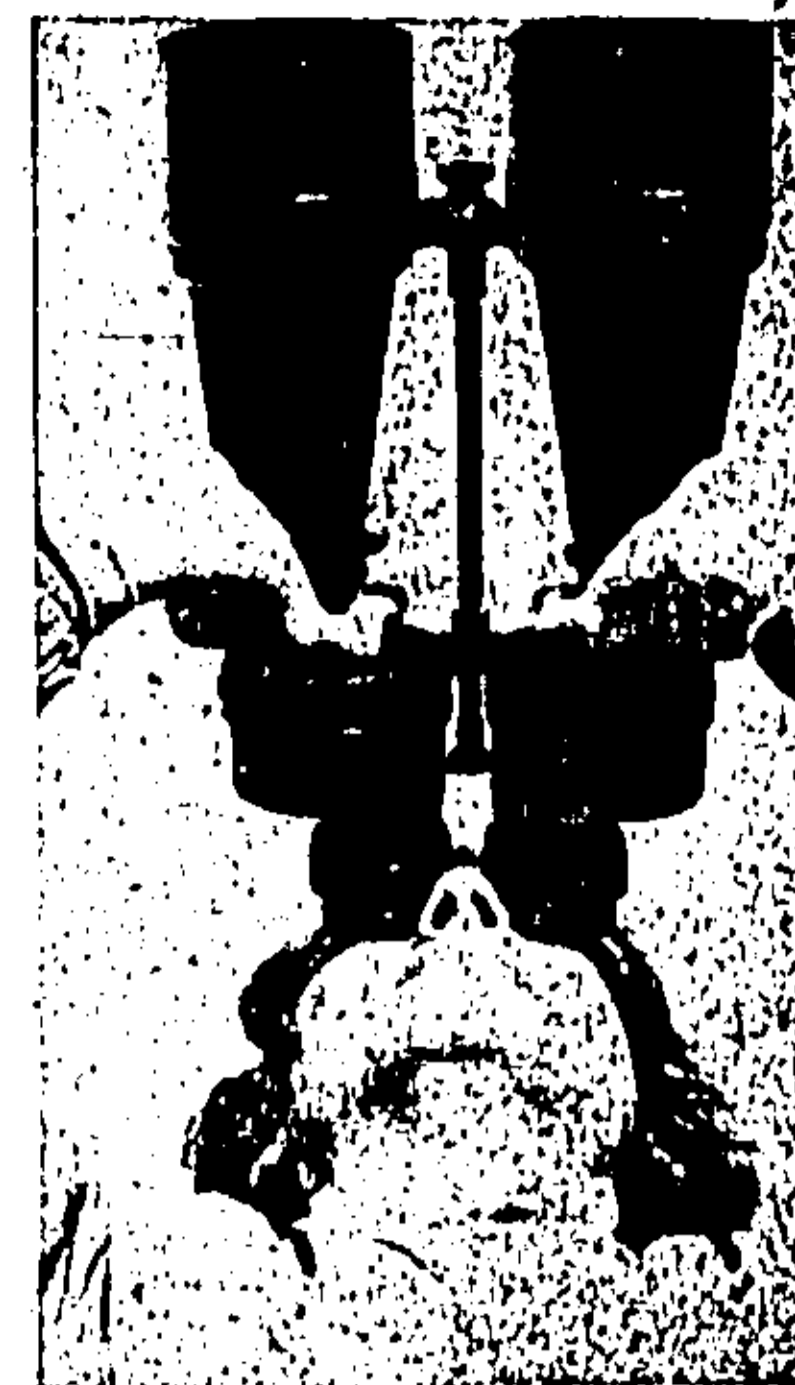
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## TOKYO COMMENT EXCITES INTEREST

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

London, Yesterday.

Political circles here are commenting with much interest on Japanese press articles condemning the Soviet attitude against Finland and declare that it is a sign that the settlement sought by the Soviets in the Far East may not necessarily occur.

While Moscow attempts to minimize the interest she has in Soviet-Japanese trade negotiations and, on the contrary, points out the importance to Japan of a settlement of the fishery question, actually a Far Eastern settlement would leave the Soviet Union's hands free for satisfying its ambitions in Europe.

Authorized circles, consequently, are of the opinion that Russia will probably be proposing to Japan a settlement more far-reaching than the simple fishery question.

Japan is also possibly wishing a temporary détente, but any eventual agreement will be more of a truce than a settlement.

It is stressed that although Russia never formulated her ambitions in China, rumours of Soviet activity in Sinkiang are still current. — Havas.

## APPEAL HELD UP IN GERMANY?

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY.

MR. CORDELL HULL, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO-DAY, AScribed FAILURE TO APPLY THE NEUTRALITY ACT TO RUSSIA IMMEDIATELY, AS DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE PRECISE POSITION IS NOT YET CLEAR.

Cable delays were impeding information.

A report has been received in Washington that M. Erkkio, the Finnish Foreign Minister, cabled an appeal to President Roosevelt as soon as news of the Soviet invasion reached Helsinki.

The appeal never reached the United States and is alleged to have been held up "somewhere in Germany." — Reuter.

## VIRULENT COMPOUND

PARIS, YESTERDAY.

"IT WOULD BE A MOST DISQUIETING FEATURE," WRITES "L'ORDRE" COMMENTATOR, IN "L'ORDRE" "IF THE SOVIETS WERE TO BRING ABOUT A REVOLUTION IN FINLAND."

"The upheaval would not then be confined to geographical limits."

"A traditional imperialism and revolutionary ideology would together form a particularly virulent compound." — Reuter.

## SWEDES VOLUNTEER

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Basle, Yesterday.

The "Basler Nachrichten" reports from Stockholm that young Swedes are crowding the Finnish Legation to enlist in the Finnish army.

The Swedish press denounces the Soviet action as a threat to the whole of Scandinavia. — Havas.

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## FINLAND'S COAST DEFENCE GUNS HIT "KYROS"

STOCKHOLM, YESTERDAY. FINLAND'S BIG COAST DEFENCE GUNS SCORED THEIR SECOND SUCCESS IN COMBAT WITH THE SOVIET FLEET YESTERDAY, SINKING THE 8,500-TON CRUISER "KYROS," WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST MODERN CRAFT OF THE SOVIET NAVY, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM HELSINKI, NOT YET OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED. The "Kyros" carried 642 officers and men but there is no indication of the extent of the casualties.

Such details of the duel which have been received suggest that the "Kyros" was brought up to pound the forts which had earlier sunk a destroyer, with her eight-inch guns. She had been bombarding the forts with salvo after salvo for 10 minutes when the coastal guns scored a direct hit, followed by another unmissable. The cruiser turned over and sank within a few minutes.

**FINNISH COUNTER-ATTACK**  
At the same time, news from the Karelian battle front speaks of further Finnish successes. After violent collisions, in which the Red Army losses were severe, the Finns launched a counter-attack, recovered several miles of territory, and took over 200 prisoners, together with a number of tanks.

The small Finnish Air Force challenged the Soviet bombers for the first time yesterday and it is claimed that they shot down two, without suffering losses.

Nine other Soviet bombers were brought down at various points by anti-aircraft fire.

Early this morning, Russian warships were still rocking Finland's southern coasts with shellfire, but landing attempts have been repulsed. —Reuter.



A TRIP WITH A BRITISH CONVOY—Sturdy British ships steam closely together as the convoy steams northward. (By Air Mail).

## RED ARMY STRATEGY: TRY TO TURN KARELIAN LINE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Helsinki, Yesterday.

THE RED ARMY'S PLAN of campaign in the invasion of Finland, it is now clear, consists of a direct attack on the Finns' strongest positions with a simultaneous effort to turn the flank of the defence.

While Red troops are battering at the Finnish fortifications, the Soviet air force is ruthlessly bombing open towns and railroads.

The infantry attack is developing from three points, the main offensive having been launched in the Karelian Isthmus, where the Finnish defences are strongest.

The other main attack north of Lake Ladoga, towards Imphali and Sortavala, aims to effect a sweeping movement around the Karelian fortifications.

The Finns are stubbornly resisting, aided by thick snow-covered forests. In the north, where Red troops have occupied the Finnish part of the Rybach Peninsula, only small patrols and light columns are operating, owing to the Polar climate and the barren soil.

**SHOCK TROOPS**  
The most violent fighting is going on in the Terijoki region, where the Russians are attacking by successive waves of shock troops, supported by heavy artillery and planes.

So far the Finns have repulsed all attacks on their main positions.

Meanwhile window panes in the Soviet Legation in Helsinki were shattered by Russian bombs, showing that bombs have been falling in the open part of the city and not at the airport which is situated 14 kilometres away. —Havas.

**OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE BROADCAST**  
London, Yesterday.

The Finnish Minister of Defence broadcasting his second official communique, gave almost the first real news of the fighting in the Karelian Isthmus.

In the area north of Lake Ladoga, the Russian troops have been very active all along the frontier.

The Russian attacks have been completely repulsed, however, the communique continued, and in one attack two entire Russian companies were annihilated.

The Finnish success is attributed to two weapons which have been specially developed for forest fighting, one of which is an automatic rifle which can fire as quickly as a machine-gun; each Finnish soldier gets one of these rifles.

In this same sector, several villages have been destroyed, but Finnish losses are small and are mainly wounded.

**SEVERE FIGHTING**  
In the Karelian Isthmus, the fighting is also severe and is still going on. The Russians have been repulsed except at a few points. They have suffered heavy losses.

In this same sector, the Soviets have also lost a number of tanks—11 yesterday and at least 8 to-day. The communique says that the Russians lost 9 planes and adds that there is a report that at least 13 were lost.

The communique reports the sinking of a Russian warship, which sustained a direct hit from shore batteries at Hangoo, which was bombarded throughout the day by three Soviet warships.

Little is said in the communique about damage from air raids. Few military objectives were hit. —Reuter.

**MANY KILLED IN BOMBINGS**  
Helsinki, Yesterday.

A large number of people are reported killed in towns around Helsinki.

A petrol reservoir on Hangoo was attacked and a gas-mask factory not far from Lathi was destroyed; four people were killed.

A correspondent says that on two occasions during the raids on Helsinki he had to fling himself among people hiding in ditches while bombs burst only 200 yards away. One Soviet plane was shot down, he said.

Anti-aircraft guns were active and the Finns officially report having brought down four large bombers. —Reuter.

## SWEDEN TO OFFER MEDIATION

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Berne, Yesterday.

It is learned from a good source that Sweden will probably propose its mediation in the Finnish-Russian dispute. —Havas.

## CIANO PAPER FROWNS

Rome, Yesterday.

While the rest of the Italian press, although giving sympathetic treatment to Finland's case, makes no comment, Count Ciano's newspaper "Telegrafo" gives the first hint that Italy is frowning on Germany's policy.

"Telegrafo" says that this is an hour of extreme concern for all small nations; great nations either swallow them up or allow them to be swallowed up.

"This is a wolves' hour," exclaims the article, which appears over the name of Giovanni Ansaldo, and it concludes by saying that Italy is keeping faith with the "small backward nations." —Reuter.

## WORLD OPINION SHOCKED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.

Reports reaching Havas from its offices throughout the world unanimously express world indignation against the Soviet aggression in Finland.

The Spanish newspapers point out that Spain understands the Finnish plight, as she herself fought against Communism.

The Dutch press reacts very strongly.

In the three Scandinavian capitals demonstrations took place throughout the day before the Finnish Legations.

The demonstrators sang their National and the Finnish Anthems.

Reliable information from Germany confirms not only the indignation of the man-in-the-street, and army officers but also apprehension in political circles, which fear that Bolshevism will dominate the Baltic and endanger German supplies of Swedish iron ore. —Havas.

## MOSCOW TOLD OF CABINET STEP: AND BOMBS SOME MORE

Moscow, Yesterday.

Through the U.S. Legation in Helsinki and the Embassy in Moscow, the Soviet Government was informed that the Government of Finland was being reconstituted.

The Soviet reply was in further bombing raids. —Reuter.

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wool  
that  
counts



It was "he" who really started me Cooltipping. He's tall, dark and handsome, my dear, and so awfully fit and all that...

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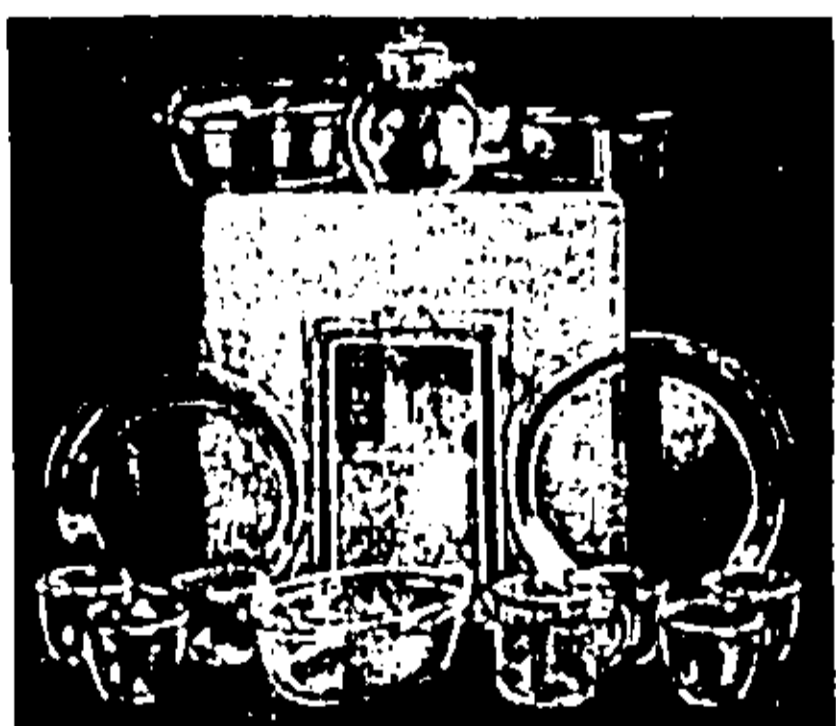
## MOLOTOV TELLS HIS STORY

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

It is reported here that when Mr. Steinhardt, the American Ambassador in Moscow, called upon M. Molotov with President Roosevelt's appeal against the bombing of civilians, the Soviet Foreign Commissar insisted that the Soviet bombers had attacked none but military objectives. —Reuter.

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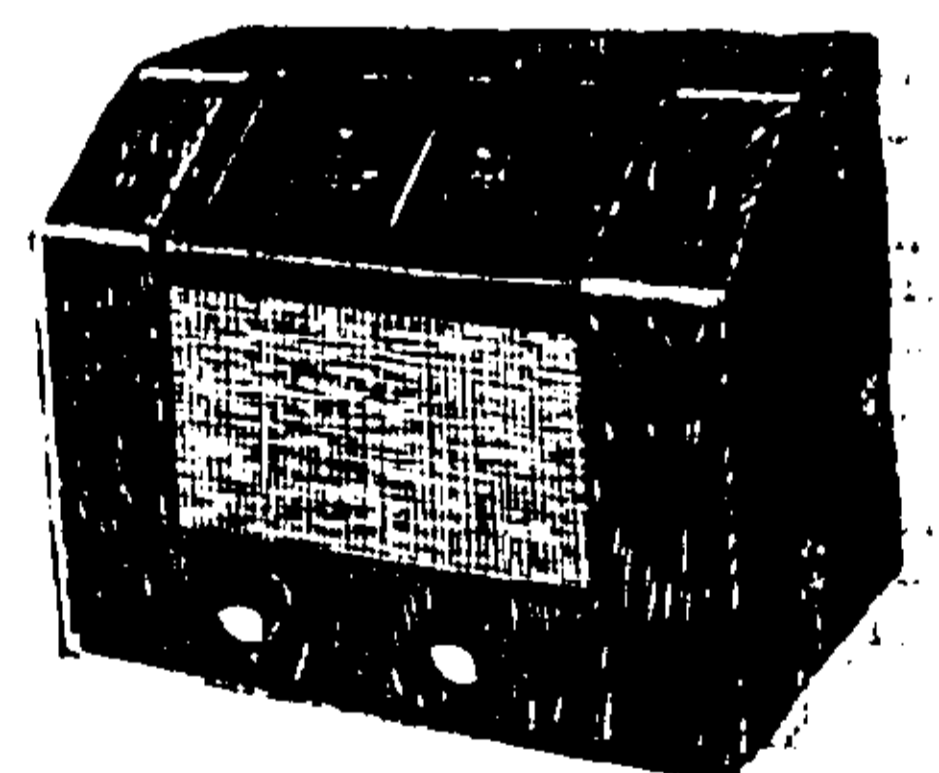
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**HONG KONG • KOWLOON**

# H.K. SLUM CLEARANCE HOPES IN ABEYANCE TOWN PLANNING OFF "FOR THE DURATION"

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
A HEAVY DISAPPOINTMENT is in store for pioneers in social services in Hong Kong who saw in a big scheme of slum clearance and town planning the first essential in any programme for radical improvement of social conditions.

Passage of the Town Planning Ordinance some months ago, with its provisions for the establishment of a Town Planning Board, to which His Excellency the Governor, always a keen advocate of the proposal, proceeded to appoint members, had led to expectation of the early preparation of comprehensive schemes, to be carried out by stages over a period of years for

The zoning of the entire urban areas of Victoria and Kowloon, separating purely residential areas from those in which business establishments and factories could continue to operate;

The development of a model tenement scheme in the most congested areas of the Colony, Taipingshan and Saiyungpun, to be followed by a large programme of slum clearance throughout the Colony;

Model schemes for the development of the outer fringes of the Colony as residential areas, and selected sites in the New Territories as satellite industrial zones.

**OFFICIAL SCHEME IN ABEYANCE**  
Although no official announcement to this effect has been made by Government, the "Sunday Herald" learned yesterday that the official scheme is now in abeyance as a consequence of the outbreak of the war.  
Mr. W. J. Carie, the Food Controller, who as Chairman of the Urban Council, would normally be ex officio Chairman of the Town Planning Board, told the "Sunday Herald" in effect, that the Town Planning Ordinance although so recently passed, may be regarded as pigeon-holed for the duration.  
As far as is known, no meetings of the Town Planning Board have been held, and none have been arranged.

## COLONIAL FUND GRANT TO COLONY MAY BE CANCELLED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
PLANS FOR THE establishment in Hong Kong of a Fisheries Research Station may have to be postponed for the duration of the war and possibly for some time after.  
Provision for the Station was included in the Budget introduced recently, in the form of a grant from the Colonial Development Fund to the amount of \$120,000.

It is understood that the Government has been informed that the Colonial Development Fund has decided to stop making any further grants to the Colonies to assist in the undertaking of development projects, and it is considered possible that some of the grants already agreed to by the Fund authorities may be cancelled.  
No information has been given to the Hong Kong Government that the Fisheries Research Station grant has been withdrawn, but it is understood that, as with many other grants, it is being reconsidered.

**MONEY NEEDED AT HOME**  
It is presumed in official circles that the main reason actuating the Fund policy is that the authorities administering the Fund, an adjunct of the Colonial Office, consider it undesirable to undertake commitments overseas at the present time as it would mean diverting money from the United Kingdom.

The fate of the proposal will be disappointing if it is deemed to be cancelled, as it is believed that this is the first time since the inauguration of the Colonial Development Fund that Hong Kong has ventured to take advantage of it.  
There is no suggestion, yet, that the local Government should go ahead with the scheme and foot the bill itself.

Mr. Alfred Morris is in receipt of a cable message from London to the effect that his resignation as Director of Ambulance and Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade has been accepted by the Chapter General with the approval of the Grand Prior of the Order.

## GANG LEADER SENTENCED

That he was assisting in the management of an unlawful society.  
That he was actually the leader of a gang of hooligans who in London, people who joined the "society" and who were alleged to have been engaged in various illegal activities.  
Inspector W. N. Darkin prosecuted.  
Accused was found guilty and fined \$800 or 10 months' hard labour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest.

## STRANGE FAILURE TO APPEAR

WONG FUNG-NG, 55, MERCHANT, CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF A CODE OR CIPHER WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE GOVERNOR, HAD HIS BAIL OF \$2,000 ESTIMATED, WHEN HE FAILED TO APPEAR BEFORE MR. R. EDWARDS AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY YESTERDAY.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appearing for the prosecution, asked the Court to estimate bail and to issue a warrant.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, defending, could not explain the absence of defendant. He asked for an adjournment, in order to give his client a chance to appear. He also pointed out that since of \$14,000 in Hong Kong currency and \$3,000 in Chinese money, belonging to the defendant, were in Police hands.  
A warrant was issued for defendant's arrest.

## DIPHTHERIA OUTBREAK

THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR ALARM, STATED THE HON. DR. P. S. SELWYN-CLARKE, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES, YESTERDAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENT INCREASE OF DIPHTHERIA IN THE COLONY.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke pointed out that although cases in 11 months are 33 per cent. higher than in the corresponding period last year, the outbreak has never reached the epidemic stage.

Since the beginning of the year, 352 cases have been reported to the medical authorities. Of this number 120 proved fatal.

In the corresponding period last year, there were 266 cases with 125 deaths. The increase is probably the result of the greater number of persons in the Colony this year than last.

## SMALLPOX CAMPAIGN

An anti-smallpox campaign has been started by the medical authorities.

Posters urging vaccination have been posted in trams, and buses, and on walls.

After a period of almost four months in which no case of smallpox was registered, the disease has re-appeared in the past five weeks and seven cases notified.

Last year there were 2,327 cases and 1,011 deaths. Three of every five cases were babies.

## WINNERS OF "DARK VICTORY" COMPETITION

Following were the winners of the "Dark Victory" guessing competition:  
First Prize—Miss H. P. P. No. 2, Cameron Road.  
Second Prize—Miss Theresa Pratt, No. 2, Lochiel Terrace, Cameron Road.  
Third Prize—Mr. Leslie Sun, Room 20, P. O. Box 22, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.  
Fourth Prize—Mr. B. Young, 10, 22, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.  
Fifth Prize—Mr. R. J. 27, Hankow Road, 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Sixth Prize—Mr. H. F. 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Seventh Prize—Mrs. Kennedy, No. 44, Hankow Road, 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Eighth Prize—Mr. A. 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Ninth Prize—Mrs. 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Tenth Prize—Miss 112, 112, Kowloon.  
Will all prize winners kindly call at the office of Messrs. Bros. Shell House, 6th Fl., on Monday.

Mrs. Mitchell, of No. 6, Conduit Road, has reported the theft of a winter coat, valued at \$45, from her car, which was parked outside her residence on Friday morning.

## KOWLOON GARDEN FETE SUCCESS

With the warm autumn sunlight filtering through the trees, and just the vestige of a breeze, St. Andrew's Garden Fete, in the Church grounds in Kowloon yesterday afternoon, was one of the most successful open air parties of the season.

Lady MacGregor declared the fete open.

She was introduced by the Rev. J. R. Higgs, who said that Lady MacGregor was very interested in works of charity and philanthropy, and had willingly and gladly agreed to perform the official opening ceremony. She was of course, a Scots-woman and as the fete was being held in the name of St. Andrew, she had "obviously come to the right Church" (laughter).

The proceeds were to be devoted to outside causes, notably the Victoria Diocesan Association, for works in connection with the Diocese and Christ Church, Kowloon Tong.

## WAR INTERVIEWS

They had hoped, he said, to hold a Nautical Bazaar this year, with Neptune coming up Nathan Road, r Pageant of the Sea, and so on. But the war came and spoilt these plans; nevertheless, they had done their best and they hoped that those who came to the fete would enjoy it at least as much as they had those of previous years.

Lady MacGregor said that she was very pleased to be able to come and formally declare the fete open. She hoped it would spend as much as they could, for in addition to the causes mentioned by the Rev. Mr. Higgs to which the proceeds were going, part were also going to the War Organization Fund.

Little Rosemary Ramsome, in a sumptuous costume, presented Lady MacGregor with a basket of flowers amid applause.

## FANCY DRESS PARADE

A highlight of the fair was the Fancy Dress Parade, in which 50 or 60 children from 6 to 14 years of age took part. The judges were Mrs. R. A. C. North, Mrs. A. W. Ingram and Mrs. C. Crowley and they had a most difficult time picking the prize-winners, for great originality and care had gone into the making of the various colourful costumes.

Eventually, however, since judges have to make decisions, the following were awarded prizes:

Eight years old and under: Prettiest, a flower girl (Margaret Fenton). Runner-up, Indian dress, Roderick Mitchell. Most original, Footballer, runner-up, Duchess of Christmas, Caroline Cook.

Eight to Fourteen: Prettiest, a Mandarin, Virginia Yui, runner-up, Rajah, Alan Dobbs; Most original, "The Official Censor," Peter Jeffreys; Runner-up, a Seacrow, Basil Whitecross.

## PHYSICAL CULTURE

At 4.30 p.m., a ladies' open-air physical culture display was given by members of the League of Health, under the leadership of Miss Mavis Ming, and this, too, attracted a large crowd.

In the evening, a Nigger Minstrel Show, which only captured the real atmosphere, was given in the Hall under Mr. R. H. Stevenson, with the assistance of the Fellowship of Youth while from 9 p.m. onwards, a Fete Dance was held in the Hall, the arrangements being in the hands of the St. Andrew's Club.

Music throughout the afternoon was provided by the band of the Middlesex Regiment.

In addition to this full programme of special events, there were, of course, the usual large variety of stalls and side-shows, and many of these were placed around and under the trees in a really picturesque manner.

An unusual stall was that of the Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild, various members of which contributed water colours and prints; some of these were recently on display in the annual exhibition.

**MANY SHOWS**  
The slide shows, including the famous circus of performing lions, an aerial runway, darts, a topical "Aunt Sally" entitled "Living Hitler," coconut shies, hoop-la, a target range, chute, clock golf, "Madame Zaida the Famous Fortune-Teller," and many, many others.

There was also a bran tub, fish pond, pony ride and a well-equipped cold drink stall and a tea garden, both of which were very popular with young and old alike.

Those in charge of this most successful fete were the Rev. J. R. Higgs, chairman; Mrs. A. C. Jeffreys and Mr. T. J. Gould, hon. secretaries; and Mr. B. Baldwin, treasurer.

## INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES IN HONG KONG

THE PROBLEM OF RAISING the revenue in Hong Kong in order to assist the Allies in a small way to win the present war, and thereby assert the claim of individual freedom as against the dictatorship and the absolute authority of the state, was, says St. John's Review, discussed recently in Legislative Council.  
There is hardly a Britisher in the Colony who does not feel that he ought to contribute substantially to this purpose, and undoubtedly the fairest form of contribution is by means of an income tax. If the people at home are not only facing immediate hardships and dangers, but also submitting to an increase in their income tax, it is hardly likely that in this Colony men will want to avoid some monetary sacrifice.

So far there seems to be a necessity of adjustment is slow as is shown by the great number of people normally unemployed.

**CAPITALISTIC SYSTEM**  
The continuance of the Capitalistic system, which is linked with the idea of freedom, is possible, provided there is a sense of justice prevailing with regard to the distribution of the wealth created.

Fortunately in Britain we have always had a considerable number of those in what might be called the privileged class, who have realised their responsibility to their fellows and have not hesitated to express their views very forcibly.

The reforms have not always come from those who were under privileged, but from those in higher positions, who realised that the nation was really one, and that the denial of good education, good housing and public health services was not only an injustice to those who would benefit by them, but a grave cause of weakness to the state as a whole.

The alternative to such a system in which the claims of all are recognised, and reasonably met, is a totalitarian state, which does not pry into one's banking account, because it renders it practically unnecessary to do so, as the accounts possessed by each are quite small.

**KIND OF BLUE-BOOK**  
In such states there is a kind of blue book, which not only gives the salaries and allowances of a few government servants, but also the scales under which all the different workers of the state are remunerated.

It is the priceless possession of freedom which justifies the imposition of an income tax, and the overwhelming demands of justice and fair play in this Colony which makes it necessary.

**SOCIAL SERVICES**  
Whatever the merits of the arguments may be regarding the income tax as a means of making a contribution to the war fund, there is little argument against such a tax for the proper provision of social services.

The development of modern industry, of commerce and of finance has tended to upset the balance in community life by making the rewards in certain directions greater than the ability of those who benefit justifies.

It is only necessary to refer to the great technological improvements which have vastly increased production and wealth and done so by reducing the number employed. Those who have benefited, no doubt, in the long run stimulate new production mostly of luxury goods, and so create employment, but the present.

**A BETTER WORLD**  
Addressing the scouts, Commissioner Halward said it was often that the Association as a whole was able to meet together, and in fact a parade of this nature had not been held for many years.

The main activities of Scouting were concentrated within the Pack, Troop and Crew, but Scouts also belong to a great brotherhood of boys and men pledged to render service to their fellowmen.

That is why it is a good thing on occasions to meet together as they were doing, so that they might be reminded, by participating in such a large gathering, of the greatness of the Movement and the part that it played in the building up of a better world.

**WARRANTS PRESENTED**  
His Excellency the Governor then presented Warrants, Certificates and Letters of Commendation, and addressing the gathering, congratulated them on their fine turn out. He endorsed Commissioner Halward's words, and finally wished the scouts the "very best of luck and a very happy Christmas."

Warrants, Certificates and Letters of Commendation were presented to the following:

Wong Te-ting (10th Hong Kong), Ng Tze-tai (15th Hong Kong), Chan Wai-chi (15th Kowloon), The Rev. Fr. Macfarlane (15th Kowloon), Yung Wing Tung (15th Kowloon), Andrew Wan (10th Hong Kong), Poon King-sun (3rd Hong Kong), Chu Lin-sun (10th Hong Kong), Lee Chi-choo (7th Kowloon), Green Lee (8th Kowloon), Liu Ting-fat (15th Kowloon), Shum (23rd Kowloon), Humphrey George Ram (1st Hong Kong), Stephen Wong (1st Hong Kong), Robert Joseph Maycock (4th Kowloon), Liang Gen-wong (6th Hong Kong), Che-mia (6th Hong Kong), John Pau (7th Kowloon), Chung Kin-mun (11th Hong Kong), Lo Yul-wah (11th Hong Kong), Lam Kam-chung (11th Hong Kong), Lam (11th Hong Kong), Wong Kam-wo (11th Hong Kong), Hung Tak-shu (18th Kowloon), Leung Kwong-choi (18th Kowloon), Wu Kwok-lung (8th Kowloon), Kwok-chung (23rd Kowloon), Loh Yip-yue (23rd Kowloon), Phyllis Rose Colledge (12th Kowloon), and Armand Eva Wilcox (14th Kowloon).

1st Hong Kong (St. Joseph's College); 13th Hong Kong (Central Chinese); Competition Camp Certificate.

1st Kowloon (St. Andrew's Church); 1st Kowloon (Shum-shuipo); Banner Rally Certificate.

8th Kowloon (Shum-shuipo); Banner Rally Certificate.

Letters of Commendation were awarded to Scouts E. Paterson, L. Jernoff and R. Clark of the 4th Kowloon Troop.

**FISH POISONING ABOARD JUNK**  
After partaking of a meal of "Ka Pau" fish on board a junk off the China Merchants' Wharf on Friday, three Chinese were taken suddenly ill.

One of them, Yip Choi, 40, summoned, and was removed to the Public Mortuary. The other two are in hospital.

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# PRIVATE FACES IN PUBLIC PLACES

A Modern Artist

GIOTTO of Florence, who worked at the beginning of the 14th Century, was regarded by some of his later fellow-artists, as a relatively unsuccessful painter. True, he did struggle through until he was within sight of the glittering hall of fame, but he was dull. Ghirlandajo was the man to watch. While Giotto was so annoyed with the problem of painting feet, that he simply avoided the whole issue by clothing his figures in long, sweeping robes which touched the ground, Ghirlandajo aroused excited comment and envy by his meticulous workmanship, his attention to each small detail.

YET there was one point that Ghirlandajo's colleagues forgot: a point, moreover, that was so important that it set Giotto in the niche of world fame where he rightly belongs, and relegated Ghirlandajo to a second-rate rank. In Giotto's paintings, one saw the picture, the mood, the fervour, the intensity, the essence of a dramatic scene. In Ghirlandajo's pictures, one saw the painting, the details, the careful draftsmanship, a hundred and one little things, but in so doing, one forgot about the scene itself, and its meaning to life, to the artist, to the world.

THIS story, which is so often quoted by John Ruskin and his followers, would be wholly agreed by Mrs. Erne Freedlander, European artist now living and painting in Hong Kong. An enthusiastic admirer of Giotto and the Early Italian Renaissance painters, she believes that modern artists should follow many of the principles and styles in technique that the "Primitive" Masters so effectively used.

SIMPLICITY is the keynote of her theory. When you want to paint a picture, get to the essence of the scene. Throw away all unimportant details; shave, slash, cut out, cast off without mercy any detail that doesn't wholly conform with the basic idea. When you reach the absolute bare minimum, work with this, and work hard, and your picture will express something of your mood, of your idea. This, she will explain, is less than number one in elementary painting technique, yet many are the artists who forget or ignore it.

MRS. Freedlander, well-known in art circles throughout Europe, arrived in Hong Kong about seven months ago. Since that time, she has had several exhibitions, and on Dec. 11 and 12, she will show her monotypes and woodcuts at St. John's Cathedral, with another exhibition on Dec. 16 and 17 at St. Andrew's Hall in Kowloon.

OF contemporary artists, Picasso is her favourite. Picasso's canvases reflect life; they are ever-changing. And this too is another of Mrs. Freedlander's prime convictions: the artist, like every person, whether millionaire or penniless, is the product of the times in which he lives. He reflects, in his art, the various social, economic, political forces that are constantly at work. He cannot fight against this condition; it is impossible for him to be otherwise. So he must make the most of his opportunities. The fundamental process of life is change; the artist not only fails in his work, but also is swept under and drowned by the rapidly-moving current if he attempts to remain static. It is the case of the irresistible force; there is no unmovable object.

THE artist, since he reflects the various movements of his times, must reflect life, if he is to be successful in his work. Life changes; the artist's canvases must show that change. Picasso, as a human being, has many moods; and so he paints many different subjects in many different ways. Sometimes he is a realist; sometimes a cubist; at others, vague and almost a mystic. This, Mrs. Freedlander declares, is as it should be, and with her versatility, follows his example. She uses many different mediums to express many contrasting ideas. She paints in oil, water-colour; works with woodcuts and monotypes. The result is rich, varied, creamy (but without the froth); sleek out of life; a mixture of personality, temperament, good craftsmanship, intelligence, and experience.

ART in 1939, she believes, is in a state of flux, and all the artists' productions of to-day are evolving towards a new art form which should take shape in about five or ten years. She points to as recent an example as the Great War for confirmation; it was not until several years after the armistice that a really important stage in art development was reached. People to-day, of course, are of necessity too obsessed with the speedily-changing nature of world events. Their minds, their thoughts, their lives are in a ferment. But out of this chaos will emerge something new and great and different. As an optimist, she thinks the present European war can only conclude in one way: with the defeat of the destructive elements as characterised by Hitler and the Nazi regime.

IN connection with life, she contemptuously dismisses what she terms "pretty-pretty" work. "This is not art," she cries; "this is mere doodling. The artist reflects life; life certainly is not 'pretty-pretty'."

Existence to most people is hard, tough, cruel; reality is pain, suffering, or at least, discomfort. Sometimes, of course, life is beautiful; but beauty is not crude and superficial sentimentality. And she refuses to paint for "commercialism." "I simply could not work that way," she says. "When I paint, I cannot put my thoughts on dollars and cents, on the notion of selling it in a specific market. I am, as an artist, not an automobile salesman."

SHE admires Cezanne and Vincent Van Gogh. Of the latter, she notes his strength and virility and the dash of his canvases are executed. The composition of Cezanne is wonderful, she holds; he opens the door to the painting of to-day. Evident in many of her pieces is a pictorialism faintly characteristic of some of the modern mural painters and some of the Mexican artists, such as Diego Rivera. These painters, she says, have, like herself, journeyed back to the primitives for some of their basic concepts.

MRS. Freedlander was born in Husum, in North Germany. She did not contemplate an art career, until one day, after her

SHE studied drawing with Main Muter, and went to Paris to study under Frens and Andree Lohot. She loves Paris, and hopes that some day she will be able to go back there to live. Then she

sketched and studied in Italy. When Hitler was made Chancellor, she foresaw the end of freedom in Germany, and left immediately. Since her arrival in Hong Kong, the colours of her most recent paintings have changed considerably; her palette is a great deal lighter now. Her pictures done in Italy were rather sombre and relatively quiet. But the sun is much stronger here; colours are gay, vivid, moving; life is pulsating, rapid; people are cosmopolitan; her paintings which were shown at the Hong Kong Art Club exhibition last week amply demonstrated the change.

HERE, too, she is under the influence of the Chinese art tradition, and she is glad of the opportunity afforded her by its nearness. She expects, in the near future, to study Oriental art, and is curious to see just what, if any, change will be wrought by it upon her present style. "A combination of Occidental and Oriental art to form vigorous new technique would be very good indeed," she says. "If and when it is accomplished, it will be a very important step in the evolution of art. You remember the great interest in Paris art circles when Japanese paintings were circulated about 50 years ago? The Western art world has much to learn from the East."



By Erne Freedlander.

marriage, when she idly drew a sketch of a friend of hers on the margin of a newspaper. The friend was also a well-known artist, and he was delighted with the hidden talent which he saw shining through the hasty sketch. He persuaded her to study seriously, and she went to Eugene Spiro, in Berlin, to be taught. Spiro was an enthusiastic Impressionist, but Mrs. Freedlander decided that she could not follow that style, that it simply did not conform to her temperament, and that Impressionism, moreover, was by this time an outmoded form, which was very good in its time, but which was now passe.

MRS. Freedlander gives art lessons and enjoys teaching. "Art education," she remarked, "should be extended to as many people as possible." Some sort of great teaching movement should be instituted, so that the masses will be provided with a chance to appreciate works of art, so that their lives will be made richer and more complete through contact with the achievements of the masters. People, too, will then be able to see life and themselves and their fellow-beings in a better perspective; the humdrum everyday things will assume a new role in their existence. Their tastes will develop; their eyes will open, their powers of observation increase, and great horizons will be revealed to them. Their understanding of history and culture and even economics will be changed for the better.

MANY people, now, she comments, stand stiff-legged before a painting and say, "My, isn't that good! It looks just like a photograph." If the work looks so much like a photograph, Mrs. Freedlander observed acidly, then it should have been a photograph and not a painting. A painting should not be the absolute realistic depiction of a scene, with camera-perfection—even if that were possible. Leave that to the realm of photography, where it belongs. The artist must paint his picture with something of himself in it; with something of the essential spirit and quality of the scene; with something of the mood of the place or the person. This is the advantage the painter has over the photographer; he may use his elements to create and explain, and perhaps intensify; the photographer must be content with the elements themselves.

MRS. Freedlander does most of her work in her studio. When doing an out-of-doors scene, she sketches it and takes the sketches to her studio, where she may complete the composition. Only rarely does she finish a piece outside. The subject-matter, the treatment, and the medium, depend each time on the mood that Mrs. Freedlander is in; they vary from time to time as her moods change. When she works, she works rapidly, steadily,



By Erne Freedlander.

trying to catch the essence of her mood or inspiration while it is strong and readily grasped. Her works show a modern free style. They can not be put in any rigid definite category; they are hers, inimitably. She has borrowed from the different schools to create her own style. She likes some of the surrealists; she likes the Impressionists; she likes the primitives; but she cannot be said to be a surrealist, impressionist, or primitive. She believes in what she terms "a unity of all things"; she wants to put down on canvas colour and light and meaning and composition and feeling, without an undue emphasis on any one element. She believes in utilising all the means to reach the end; not concentrating on any one of them.

C. FREAS, critic and brother of the artist-teacher, saw an exhibition of her works in 1937 in Milan, and wrote the following: "Her nature, full of vital electric fire, found its line in herself. This sparkling and inflamed temperament does not content itself with the charm of the impressionist colour, that fantastic transgresses the borders of nature, however it may be; her courageous genius does not subject itself to any of the surrounding realities, but takes possession of intuition and the spirit of real objects, and gives them the physiognomy of her own brilliant stormy temperament."

ONE of Mrs. Freedlander's latest works to be exhibited, her "Synthesis of Hong Kong," is a good illustration of many of the things Mrs. Freas wrote. The swirling lines, the vitality, the fervour, the warmth, the throbbing colour are to be seen in this. After her two exhibitions of monotypes and woodcuts next week, she plans an exhibition of oil paintings.

Carola Goya  
SEÑORITA Goya doesn't like interviews. In Seattle, she gave a special interview to one reporter, who, on leaving, felt he had been over-impressed. To her horror, the interview appeared next day under the heading "Spanish Dancing—Off the Coast!" The exact meaning of that heading still defeats her.

Perhaps the outstanding impression one gets of Señorita Goya, is her wonderful facility for enjoying life. It was perhaps only in the Vienna of the pre-Hitler days that one saw the same happy ebullience of spirits and enjoyment of living.

THE secret of this may lie in the fact that she believes in being natural at all times. She does not believe, for instance, that artists sacrifice all for their art. It is true, she said, that they have to travel long distances by train—and trains always make her miserable—that they have no home life to speak of, generally live a "here to-day and gone to-morrow" sort of existence, and so on. But, she points out, against that they are living the life they want to live, doing the things they want to do, and that more than compensates for any imaginary "sacrifices for art."

Disturbed shipping schedules are to be thanked for her appearance in Hong Kong last night. The party should have sailed via the Atlantic from South Africa, but Columbia Concerts Corporation decided that it would be safer to return via the East. Thanks to the regularisation of a Canadian liner, and one or two other factors, it was only by determined hunting that the party eventually found a freighter which is leaving tomorrow and which could accommodate them. They will travel to America non-stop, an unhappy prospect, but "engagements are engagements!"

## LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

Foreseeing the strain on Christmas budgets, MRS. WILLY has graciously lowered all prices on her delectable stock of fur coats, and is offering some rare bargains including a 10 to 20 per cent discount all round. Now, more than ever before, there is simply no excuse for you to go around with that faithful old tweed which has seen many a winter before this. For, in the lower price category, there are coats for as little as \$95, and we recommend a baby leopard in this group. Here are a few more exciting details: brown Broadtail for \$125, beige Lamb for \$100, gray Lamb for \$125 and black Caracul for \$150. Neckpieces and jackets have taken a big drop, too. Foxes and who doesn't love a Fox? In brown or black, go begging at \$45 and \$50 each, while jackets are from \$40 up. There is also a big selection of Silver Foxes at prices which will ensure you a happy Christmas. This price slashing has affected everything, and that includes morning, afternoon and evening dresses, woollen suits, etc. Your inspection is invited at the earliest opportunity, and the shop is open during lunch hour. Room 104, Bank of East Asia Building.

Lady, take a bow... or be an innocent but beguiling bystander in any one of the scores of cunning new dresses received by MISS NAYLOR. If the collection leaves you a little breathless, hark to a suggestion... select for down-town wear a chic wool suit with pinks and black checked jacket atop a black wool skirt. We recommend this for its combination of colours and for the mere suggestion of a pepplum incorporated in the back. Or go all gay in a tri-coloured check in tones of red, green and grey. You get this in a simple, tailored wool dress accompanied by a jacket which uses grey for a base and is smartly piped with the fabric of its companion. For afternoon wear, nothing than a cover some of sage green and black. Its just-over-the-hip length bodice is worn over a pencil skirt of black crepe. Throw round the neck are five strands of flat braid studded at intervals with gold buttons. Pass me up, if you have met anything more original than this! Braiding streaks down the torso of a solid black crepe, and its streamlined Princess cut lends enchantment to its one single ornament—a fat gold locket just like grandmother wore.

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Half the fun of Christmas is in the good things we eat. This is one time of the year when all thoughts of slimming diets are put aside until well after the New Year, and the family sideboard groans with tempting edibles to tickle the most jaded appetites. Hostesses who are even now planning the feasts they will give, can derive much inspiration and satisfaction from the long list of Christmas foods received by THE ASIA COMPANY. And the fact that you not only get the best, but can save at this store, should give your inclination to buy here an extra nudge. Orders for fat Australian Gobblers (Turkeys to you) should be placed early, and you might give a thought to their good selection of Christmas candles, fancy chocolates, biscuits, plum puddings, mince meals, etc. Decorations (for what is Christmas without decorations?) are also provided, including novelties to add to the fun of the feast. Crackers, glass toys, sprays, musical novelties, candles, snowballs, and Christmas trees are all suggestions to help you with your plans. Find this firm at 63-65 Des Voeux Road Central.

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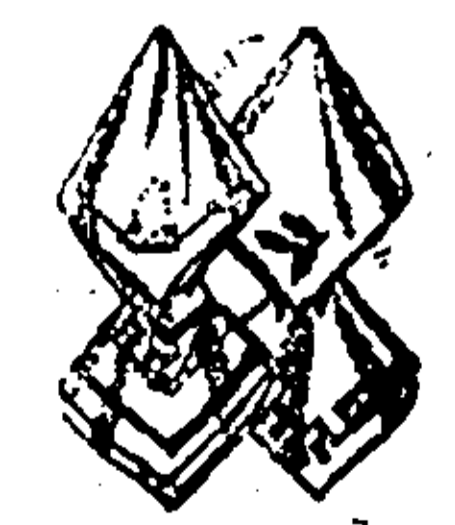
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# DEEPER CAUSES OF THE WAR

IT is difficult to see clearly in these times and to speak, as one would wish to, with absolute simplicity and sincerity. But if any words of mine may be of help to others it is enough. "The deeper causes of the war and the issues involved" is a subject which we have to try and think about in clear and simple language. Much that can be said is very familiar to us but the fact that it is familiar is not a reason why we should not reconsider and restate time and again this question. We need to keep our thoughts clear and to carry on the policy of testing what we think in the light of our own and others' experience.

Such a time as the present is a testing time of values. All of us, whether or not we give much expression to our innermost thoughts, are searching our own minds and most of us are interested very much in the true essence of action and that the community of our thoughts is a measure of the unity of our effort. It is therefore not something unnecessary or unpractical to take time to think over and over again for ourselves why we are at war and what is at stake in the issues themselves.

War is the defeat of civilization. The world wished for and wishes for peace. War has come. Why?

There was a hope of peace and a desire for peace, a deep world desire.

There was a hope, and a reasonable hope. The world has been advancing towards peace and despite the setbacks, disappointments and failures the world is still marching towards peace. Let us never be despondent, still less defeated. As we

look back and look around us there is reason for hope. The last Great World War was to see the end of war. By far the greatest efforts ever made to end war was the establishment of a solemn Covenant to end war and this was followed by other efforts to the same end. The Covenant of the League of Nations and the building of the machinery and administration of the League was a deliberately planned and sustained effort to establish the rule of peace. The Kellogg Pact was another expression of the will of the nations to peace.

The efforts have for the present failed and the world is facing again the cruel arbitrament of war. But the Covenant of the League, the Kellogg Pact and many other achievements, especially in the international provision for arbitration and the solution of disputes between nations, these are all stepping stones on the way to peace. The work will go forward despite the interruption of war. There is reason for encouragement in this real progress of the pursuit of peace.

We ask ourselves the question, and stubbornly we must go on asking ourselves the question—"What are the causes of war?"—for this war is an example and the result of those causes which lead to war.

The causes of war have grown deeper and more serious; no nation to-day goes lightly to war, for not only the nations at war but the nations at peace suffer from war far more than ever before. War is world-wide in its repercussions, neutrals as well as belligerents suffer. The few that gain something are few against the

many that lose much, it may be everything or almost everything. We may put the question in another form, we may ask "What are the deeper causes of peace?" The effort to probe down into the causes of war and peace is practical, and the need is urgent.

If, as we believe, we have taken up arms for a just cause, then to know what are the deeper issues at stake for which we are fighting is of the greatest practical concern to us all. There has been much said and written about this being a war of nerves. It is more truly a war of morale. It is a war, the issue of which depends on the strength and justice and truth of the convictions that we hold. But the problem is not only to win the war, but win the

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peace. These two problems are one and indivisible.

We shall be strong to endure the sufferings and sacrifices of war, if we have the vision of true and secure peace. We have therefore to think deeply, to think steadily and continuously of the principles for which we are fighting, and to think deeply, steadily and continuously of the peace which can prevent the recurrence of war. It is the most serious challenge to thought and to action for every one of us.

But before we go further we must be critical, critical of ourselves before we are critical of others, we must see that there is not the beam in our own eye. But we must be also constructive, we must be critical, and one of the best ways of being critical is by asking questions of ourselves. We know that lack of confidence between nations has been one of the causes which has led to failure. Have not we our share of responsibility in this lack of confidence? Why is it that we are dis-

trustful? Is there not some reason for this? Have we carried out our obligations and our trustfulness as we should have done? Have we tried to understand, as we should have done, the mentality of those who have not felt and thought as we have? Have we been fair in our appreciation of their difficulties and their achievements? Have we discriminated and recognised what was positive and good in the systems of other countries have developed? Have we tried to weigh dispassionately their grievances?

The failure of collective security is not merely the failure to provide an armed sanction against aggression. It is also a failure collectively to recognise what was wrong in the status quo, and to see that we will seriously endeavour to put it right. And have we not to deplore our weakness in dealing with the provisions in our own country for social security. We cannot keep apart as two separate principles our social policy and our foreign policy. The one subtly but really affects the other.

The end of criticism is action and construction. We have to plan anew, to hold to what is good in the agreements and institutions and policies of the past, but to build a way of life—the high way of life—which is broad and strong enough to carry us forward into a more secure and better future. We realise the immense advance and the beneficence of science. We know that it is within our grasp to reach a higher standard of well-being throughout the world, but we must see to it that in the foundations of the new order as secured first things must come first.

The old definition of the state that comes into existence to make life possible, and continues to exist to make life good, is true of the world order as well as of the state.

Unless there is security the good life is threatened, and all the culture and progress connected with it. Therefore we must see to it that we use the rich experience of the past, and its achievements, and that we add to the measures which our new world calls for if we are to have security and freedom.

## Statesman And Idealist

A young man rose in the House of Commons in 1910 to make his maiden speech. His subject was Egypt. It was the dinner-hour. Only six other M.P.s had stayed behind to hear him. The speech was informed and eloquent. It ended with the words:—

"The time may come, and I hope it will come, when those races, with whose government we are now charged, may be in a position to assume control of their own fortunes, and may be able to work out their own destiny."

Twenty-six years later that young man signed the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty on behalf of Britain. The young man was Mr. Frederick Wood. When he signed the Treaty he had become Lord Halifax, known to the world as a great Foreign Secretary, but known especially to India as the greatest Viceroy of this century.

He was Minister of Agriculture in 1924. Before that he had been the President of the Board of Education, but it was his job as Under Secretary for the Colonies in 1921 that first developed his latent interest in the problems of Imperial administration. In 1925 he was appointed Viceroy of India, arriving there in April, 1926. When the position was offered him, he knew what grave responsibilities it carried with it.

The vast majority of Indians were willing to negotiate peacefully with Lord Irwin. They recognised his honesty and sincerity—a recognition which grew and deepened as the years passed.

In 1929, the Deputy-President of the Simla Legislative Assembly declared that "in Lord Irwin India has a valued friend who sincerely means well by her, and who is determined for all that he is worth to help her on towards greater prosperity and content."

It was the charm of Lord Irwin's personality which turned Mahatma Gandhi from an enemy into a man trying to reconcile the British and Indian point of view.

On one occasion Gandhi visited Lord Irwin. Orders were given that they were not to be disturbed. Four hours passed. Then an urgent message had to be given to the Viceroy. He and Gandhi were sitting side by side on a settee with a Greek testament between them, and Lord Irwin was explaining the exact meaning of a Greek word in the Sermon on the Mount.

During a period of negotiation with Gandhi, the Indian leader declared he could say nothing further

without consulting his friends.

"Do," at once said Lord Irwin, "and I assure you that your deliberations will have my best wishes and my prayers."

That was the secret of Lord Irwin's success. He won over his opponents by his humanity, by his readiness to treat them as responsible, intelligent men with a rational and understandable point of view. But his success was not easy. The train on which he was travelling one Christmas had a coach blown up by a terrorist bomb. It was an act which shocked the sane, balanced elements of India—and they form the vast majority of her peoples. Terrorism began to lose ground.

The Simon Commission went on with its work. The Round Table Conference published its proposals and in 1931—at the close of Lord Irwin's stay in India—a "true" to passive resistance and deliberate obstruction was signed and later approved by the Indian Congress Committee.

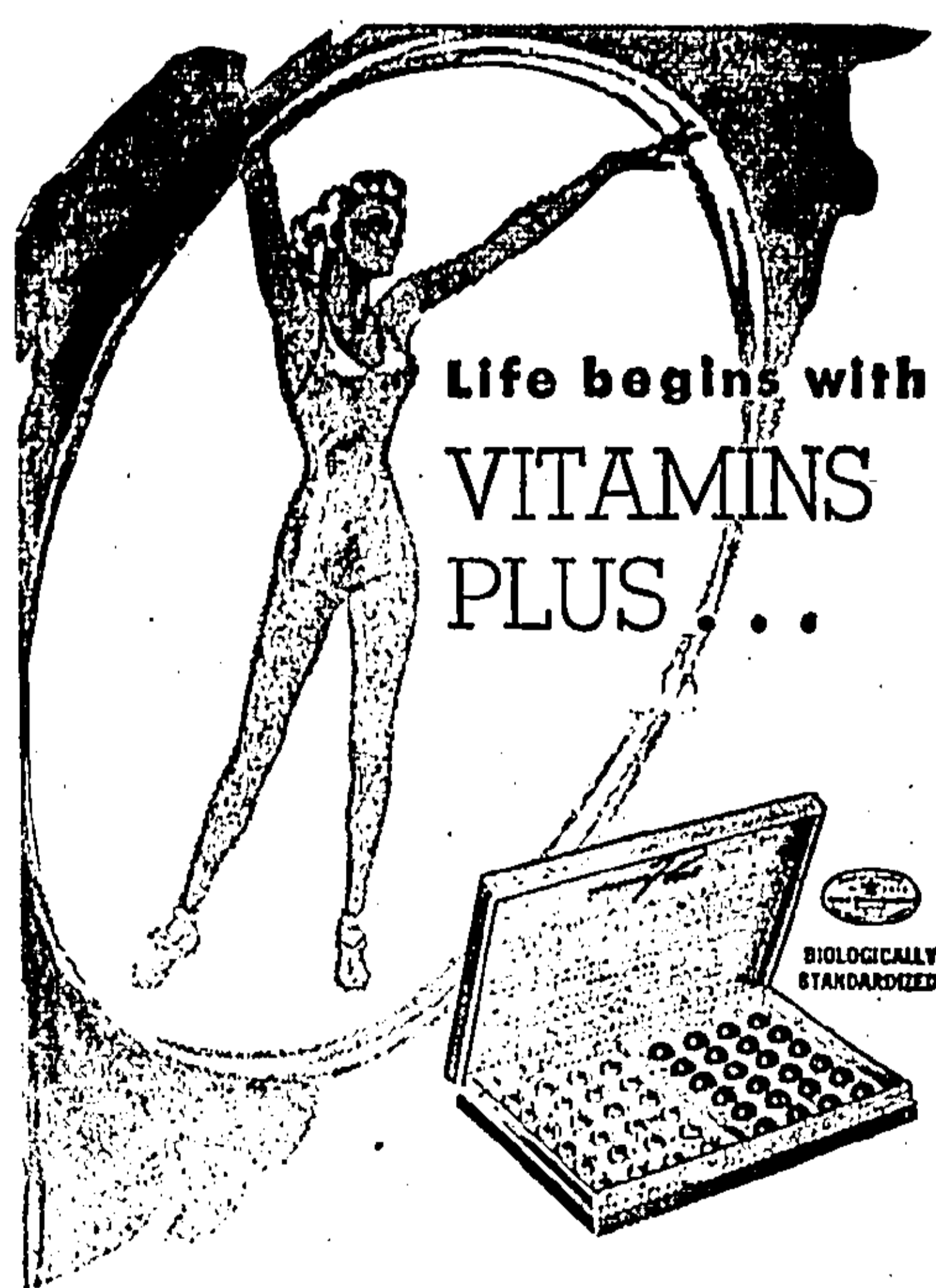
The future of India became assured. Reason and co-operation had defeated suspicion and violence. The credit belonged to Lord Irwin. He had always held fast to the belief that "there is little to wonder at and still less to condemn in the desire of India to manage more and more of her own affairs."

The man who achieved so much for India is now fifty-eight. He is tall and gaunt with a shy, rather hesitant smile. He was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford. His deep and abiding interest is religion. His father was the leading lay Anglo-Catholic of last century. It was he who held the Malines Conversations with Cardinal Mercier to explore the possibilities of a rapprochement between Rome and the Anglican Church.

Lord Halifax has written a life of John Keble, one of the leaders of the Tractarian movement, and he has never ceased to play a considerable part in the spiritual life of Britain. He realises that spiritual values are more important than material ones. He has carried this realisation into his political life. It was this idealism which impelled many Indians to call him the Second Mahatma—and an Indian can give no higher praise.

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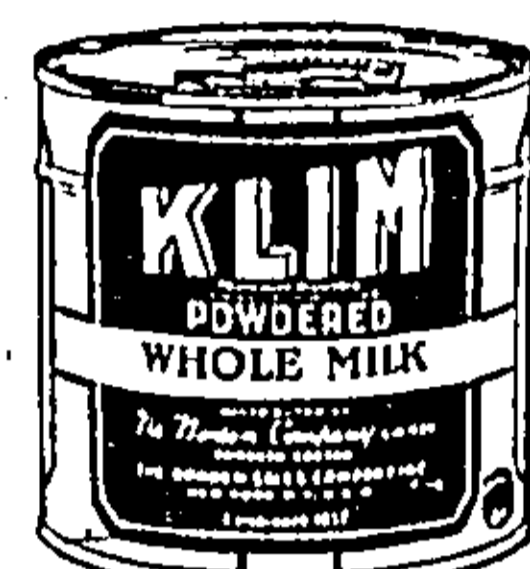
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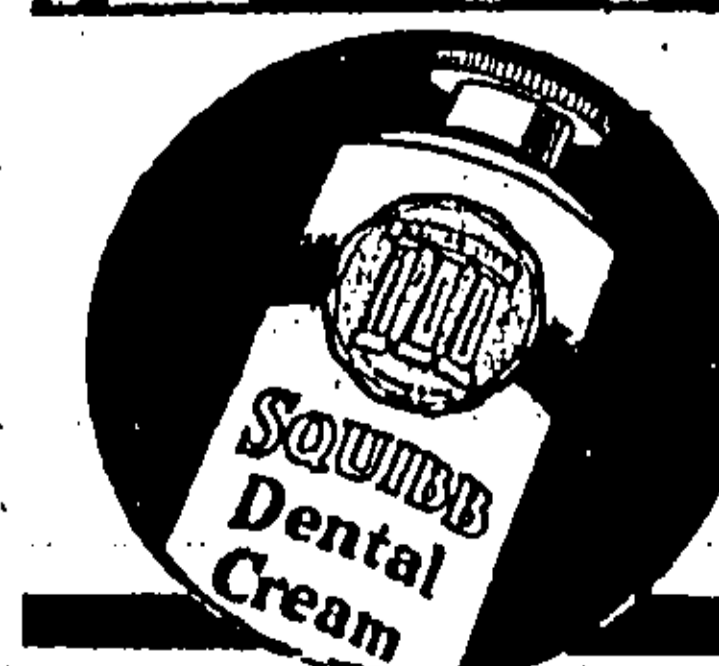


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## The Prisoner of Luxemburg

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The Luxemburgers were sorry for the young Briton, cut off from his flying. They did their best for him.

He was given a prettily decorated room in the gendarmerie barracks. A cheerful batman, who spoke perfect English, was detailed to wait upon him.

For his meals he was asked what food he liked. He was allowed to take ample exercise on the barrack square.

### PARCELS ARRIVE

The news got abroad that the young English officer could be seen. Soon, peeping at him through the railings were a number of pretty bright-eyed Luxemburg girls.

They waved, but could not express their sympathy in words.

Then parcels containing little gifts started to be left with the centry on the far end of the little bridge leading to the barracks.

Flying-Officer Martin began to smile again. Cigarettes, chocolates, books, all came his way.

But the girls were still worried. How much better it would be if the "nice young English" could leave the barracks and go for a walk sometimes.

Regrettably, but firmly, the authorities said "No." The regulations strictly forbade anyone appearing in public in the uniform of a belligerent country.

It was all very trying, but one of

the girls had an idea. Out came purses, and along went the girls to the best tailor in Luxemburg. Within a few days a parcel, a big

### HOW IT FEELS TO MAKE TRIP WITH A CONVOY

## EXPLOSIONS BREAK UP A POKER PARTY ABOARD

It was about two o'clock in the morning. Someone in the poker game at the end of the saloon table had just said to the Scotsman opposite: "Can you change me a pound?" Then came the Noise.

It was a queer Noise. A soft sort of sound, with a hard core at the centre of it, if you can understand what I mean. As if a giant hand wearing a heavy signet-ring had patted the ship's side, not too gently.

But very definitely a Big Noise.

There was five seconds' complete silence, then the Noise came again.

### ONLY SOME DEPTH CHARGES

The poker game broke up in a wild scramble. Everybody except the Scotsman left his money on the table in the mad rush to get on deck.

When we reached the bridge the Captain and the First Officer were chatting unconcernedly.

"Twins just one of the escort vessels dropping some depth-charges. I've no doubt they thought they'd heard something. Off astern of us there, somewhere. A mile away or more, I should guess," was the Captain's calm reply in his slow Scots burr to our buzz of questions.

Then I knew there was a war on. Somehow, in spite of air-raid warnings and black-outs, smudged streets and soldiers in uniform, the war had never seemed quite real to me in London.

Out in the Atlantic the war suddenly becomes a fact.

### TENSE BENEATH THE CALM

We had been under way about 15 hours or so when the Noise occurred, and it was to be the major excitement of our passage in convoy.

From horizon ahead to horizon astern stretched the long columns of ships in the convoy. All sorts of ships: ex-passenger carriers, general cargo vessels, colliers, tankers; some in ballast, red boot-topping showing high out of the water, others wallowing, deep laden.

Outside the columns steamed the escort vessels, looking somehow as fussy important as young sheepdogs herding their first flocks.

They kept no regular station; sometimes they lay close alongside the column, sometimes they turned away out towards the horizon, and returned to cruise up and down the lines of ships.

All very quiet, very steady, apparently peaceful.

But it was a deceptive peacefulness. Underneath the calm one could detect the tenseness. In the Captain's eyes, bloodshot after a sleepless night on the bridge; in the ordinarily-stolid First's explosion of profanity when the ship next ahead misbehaved and made him do a lot of quick and violent work with helm and engine to avoid overrunning her.

NORMAL DANGERS INCREASED

Ceaseless, unremitting vigilance everywhere. That's what brought the tenseness home to us.

From Captain to officer, from lookout in the eyes to gunner by the machine-guns at the stern, there must not be an instant's let-up in the strained alertness.

There are not only the dangers from the enemy: the drifting mine, the torpedo, the bomb. There are also the normal dangers of the sea: collision, fire, man overboard, grounding. All these are increased by the need for travelling in convoy.

The essence of working in convoy is keeping station. It sounds so simple when you read about it. All you have to do is to follow the next ship ahead, keeping a predetermined distance astern of her.

FRIENDLY DOT OF LIGHT

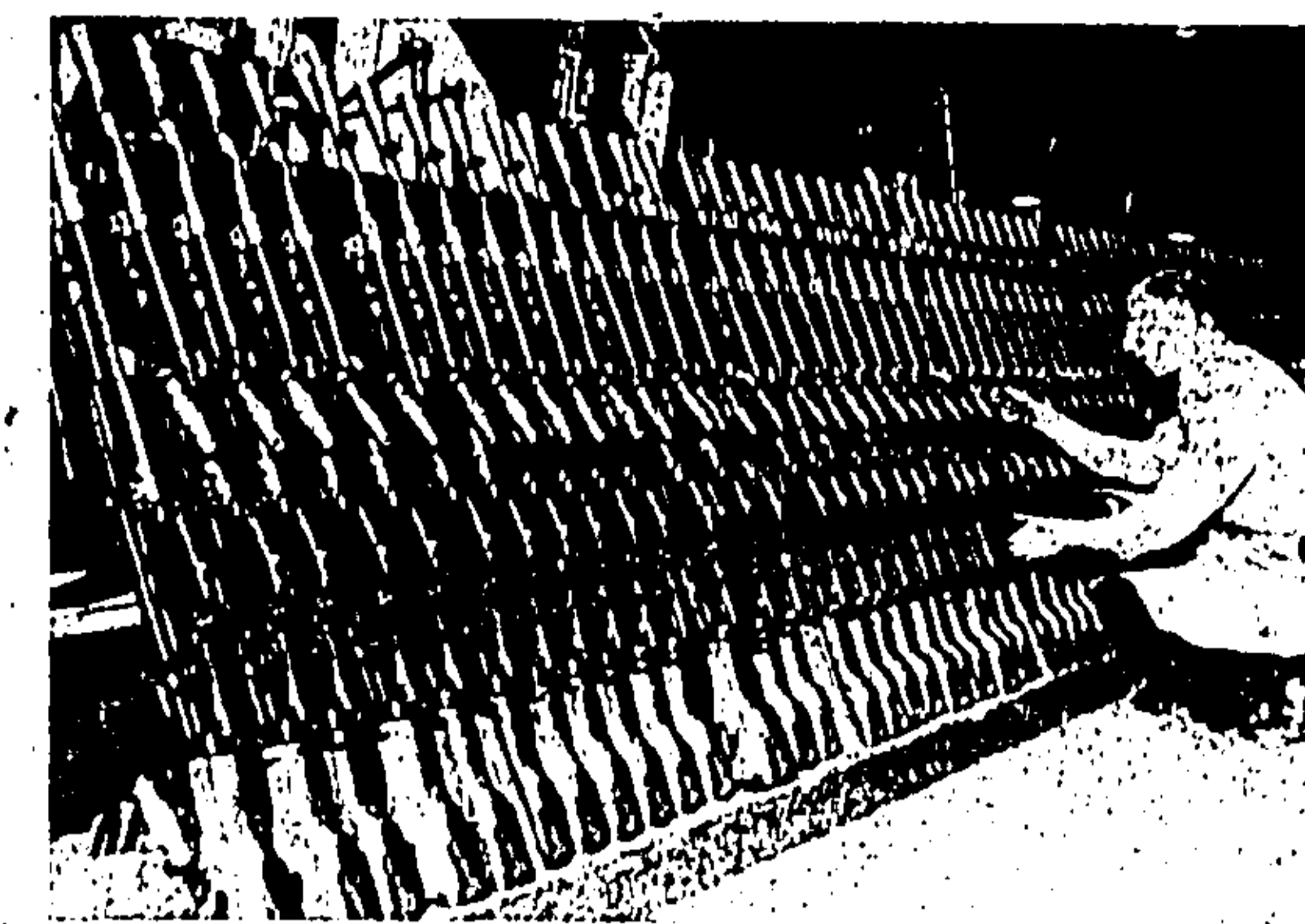
The grey veils of the dusk close inwards from the horizon. One by one they blot out the ships farthest ahead and astern, until finally they fold round your next ahead, and she becomes a mere smudge of a darker black in the darkness, with a dot of light at the centre.

That dot of light is the one friendly thing in a dark, unfriendly world. You must keep it in sight. You have no means of measuring its distance away; only your eyes and your judgment to tell you whether you are too near or too far.

Or, worse still, you might lose touch with the convoy altogether, and have to spend an anxious night chugging it vainly, alone and unprotected, all over the North Sea till dawn.

NOT ALL BEER AND SKITTLES

And when they reach port, it's not all beer and skittles either. The First and Second have to see the cargo off, the new cargo aboard and properly stowed (that's an art in itself); the Captain has to attend the



At a Royal Ordnance Works, where shifts of men are working day and night turning out guns and ammunition for the forces. Photo shows completed Bren guns. (Copyright, Fox).

## A DOUBLE DOUBLE CROSS

London, Yesterday. Suggestions that Hitler is trying to double-cross Stalin in the Balkans are being made here, as partly explaining the Soviet smash-and-grab in Finland.

First, von Papen has been urging the Rumanian Government to create a "Siegfried Line" between Bessarabia, her north-eastern province, which was formerly Russian, and the Soviet frontier.

At the same time Ribbentrop, is working through Hungary for the incorporation of Rumania's Transylvania, formerly Hungarian, into Hungary.

Thus the Nazis are trying to double-cross Rumania as well as Russia.

Secondly, while Hitler's economic experts are striving to get more and more of Yugoslavia's mineral exports, his Foreign Office is embarking on a deliberate process of stirring up trouble among malcontents in that country's province of Croatia, formerly Hungarian, despite the Hungarian Government's object to this.

A Hungarian Chamber of Commerce, instigated by Germany, is to be established at Zagreb to improve relations between Croatia and Hungary.

The Nazis are also preparing the German public for disappointments in connection with the Russian trade deal. Goebbels is circulating articles to the controlled Press explaining why certain hoped-for commodities cannot be received from Russia.—Our Own Correspondent.

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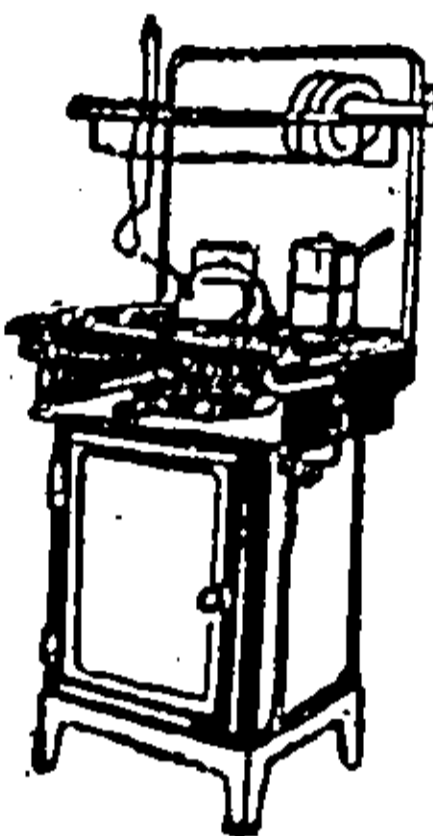
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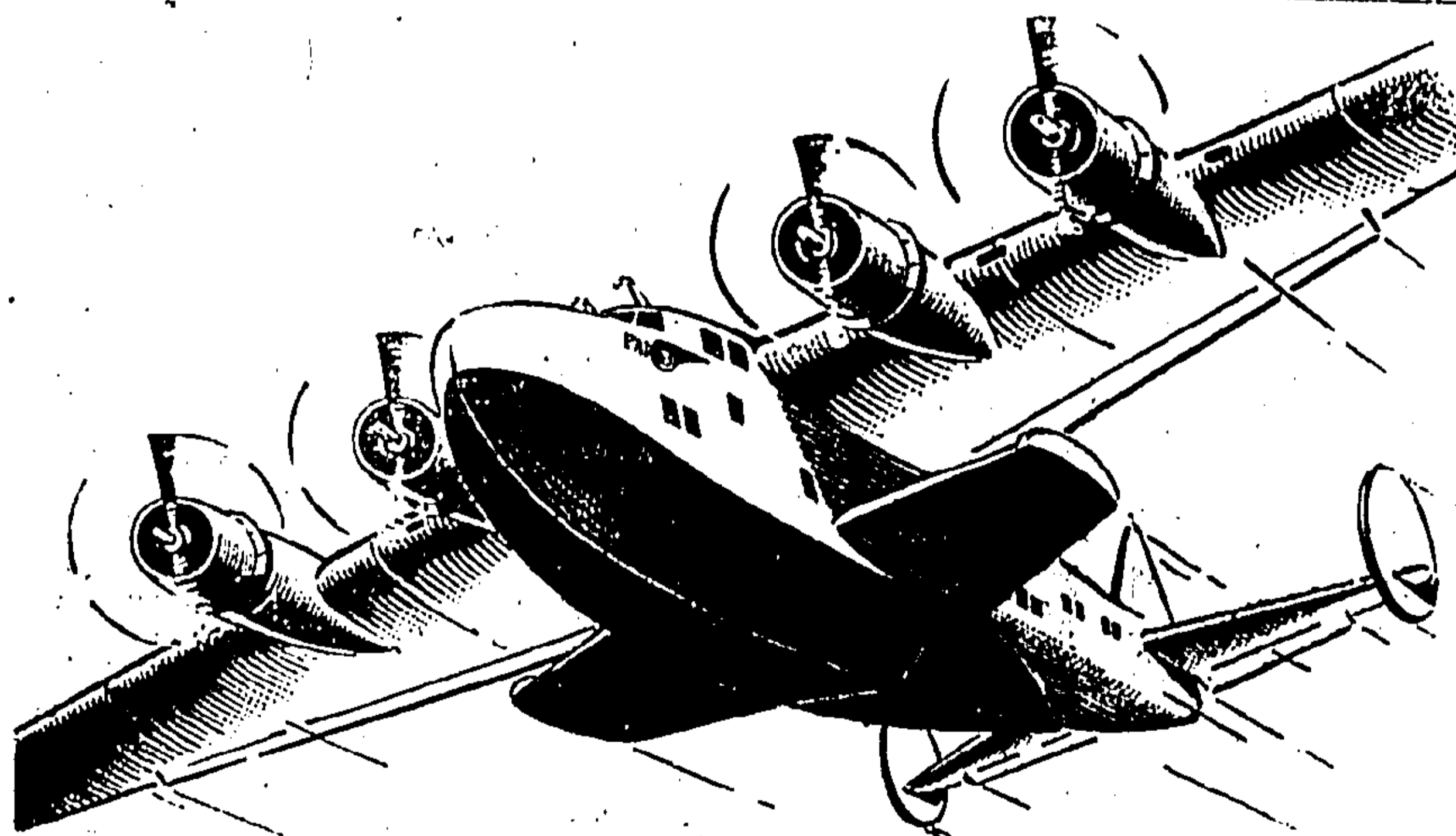
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## On The Western Front

# The Maginot Line And The Siegfried Line

In the eighteenth century the range of rifles was not above 220 yards, of rifles took a certain time, and to shoot from too great a distance was therefore a tactical error. Such firing was ineffectual and the advancing enemy could reply from well within range while the arms were being reloaded. This is probably the explanation of what happened at the battle of Fontenoy in Flanders when, on May 11th, 1745, the Count of Antieroches, commanding the French Guards, replied in the negative to Lord Hay, the English general, who invited him to shoot first. This answer has been recorded, and is perhaps embellished: "Gentlemen of England, shoot first!" The phrase has become his-

### Significance Of Anecdote

This historical anecdote has its full significance now. The two opposing armies—the Germans and the Allies—are entrenched behind their fortifications in an attitude of mutual defiance. They seem to be saying: "Come and find out"—and keep to their positions, without whoever being inactive, for they are constantly reinforcing their lines.

An attack on a large scale would immobilise considerable forces, and it will be recalled that the French Commander-in-Chief does not wish to engage himself too deeply, for by maintaining reserves to assist Belgium or Switzerland, should the Governments of these two countries call for aid in the event of enemy operations on his flanks, he offers a far better guarantee of Belgian and Swiss neutrality than any promise given by Hitler.

As for the latter, it is abundantly clear that he is endeavouring to escape the effects of the economic warfare and that he hopes to wear out his adversaries while intensifying a peace campaign of an increasingly insidious character.

Whatever the future of the two fortified lines—Maginot and Siegfried—a comparison of the two systems would seem interesting.

### The Eternal Fight

The successive developments effected in fortifications in the course of centuries are obviously the result of the improvements in the means of the disposal of the attacking party and, in the first place, in his artillery—the eternal fight between cannon and armour, on land and sea.

The mere bastions by which the forts were originally surrounded were first preceded by advanced

works designed to protect the main centre from the enemy's projectiles. These advanced works later became detached forts which were established at points where the enemy might see fit to place his artillery. These forts, which included permanent barracks and a whole army of cannon, were, in fact, protected batteries always prepared for action.

This whole system had to be transferred in 1895, for owing to the invention of high explosives the artillery had to be taken out of the forts, which had to be cemented in order to avoid destruction within a few hours.

### BY GENERAL LOUIS MAURIN, former French Minister of War.

Thus were the great French fortresses of 1914—Belfort, Epinal, Toul and Verdun. The last was attacked and by its heroic resistance achieved a world-fame which the name of Marshal Petain will be linked for all time.

### Defence Of New Frontier

In 1919, immediately after the Armistice, the question of transporting the French defensive system to the new frontier was studied.

This was not merely a military problem—it was also a political question. The population regained the feeling that it was definitely detached to the mother country. The forts were therefore to be situated as near to the frontier as possible and were to be indestructible in every circumstance. This was done at the cost of considerable time and money. The first fortress was begun by M. Painleve, then French Minister of War.

His work was continued by Andre Maginot, Painleve's successor, who courageously defended in the French Parliament the necessity for large credits. He did not enter into the general conception of a veritable line of fortifications and it is public opinion has given his name to the system thus realised, it is in order that the great services rendered by that great member of the French Parliament, who did not allow himself to be deterred by the adverse votes of the pacifists.

### Modern Art Of Fortification

These forts, which may be regarded as representative of the greatest progress in the modern art of fortification, are of necessity spaced. They are not linked together in a continuous barrier, so that their cupolas can be turned to keep the enemy under the continuous blaze of their artillery. It was in order to complete this work at the least expense that, as Minister of War, I arranged that the men who were to have been liberated in the spring of 1935 should be kept in service for several months. Since then, the work has been constantly pursued and is still going on at the present time, not only in the reinforcement of the Line, but in deepening and widening the system.

On the German side, the situation was not the same. On the one hand, Hitler wished to act quickly in order to have a free hand in the East. On the other, there was no political consideration compelling him to have a very strong first line. He could, therefore, confine himself to maintaining watch-posts on the frontier, reserving the more powerful works for a rear position. The Siegfried Line itself is simply a battle-field, organised as during the last war, sometimes with cement works for the casemates. The latter, individually, are not very strong, their force lies in their numbers—and there are thousands of them. Comfort is lacking in these small works, and the troops have to be constantly relieved. Considerable effectives are therefore necessary for this system.

### Obstacles

#### To Tank Attack

Naturally, the Germans, like the Allies, are constantly reinforcing their organisation and raising obstacles to a possible tank attack. When you read in the communiques: "Air reconnaissance and artillery fire," you can conclude that the planes have gone out to take photographs in order to estimate the daily progress of the work, and that cannon has intervened to hold them up.

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## HONG KONG'S FOOD PRODUCTION

THE new stress given in recent months to proposals seeking to increase the Colony's capacity for production of its own foodstuffs cannot provide the desired results if the approval sounded in official speeches is not extended to official action.

The outbreak of the war in Europe was not necessary to establish a case for measures which would reduce the dependence of the Colony, which exists to a dangerous degree, on imported food supplies. That had already been convincingly brought home by the operations of the Japanese military in South China, which have violently disturbed the volume and price of local commodities at each fresh incursion into a producing area.

It is not necessary to go very deeply into the figures. It may, roughly, be stated that the prices of many vegetables, potatoes, for instance, have increased from 50 to 100 per cent, since the outbreak of hostilities in South China, while the invasion of Pakhoi area the other day had an immediate effect on the pork market.

Because there has never been any fear of real shortage, nothing more disturbing (to the powers-that-be) than the creation of scarcity values; no justification exists for sitting back and doing nothing. It has, for instance, been emphasised, in a score of ways, that in the present struggle in which the Empire is engaged, one of the principal contributions which can be made by colonial administrations is the conservation of sterling exchange.

Two ways lend themselves most obviously to this objective; restriction of purchases in non-sterling countries to a minimum and the home-growing, as far as possible, of primary products and necessities.

It is not expected that Hong Kong can in any hurry do a great deal, when confronted with the habits of the village agriculturist, to expand appreciably the growth of vegetables, though some progress is being made in this direction.

What could reasonably be encouraged is a big extension of cattle farming and pig breeding. Yet two schemes with this object in view have been in project in recent months and have achieved nothing because of official discouragement. In one case, we understand, an offer was made to establish a 500-sow pig farm in the New Territories, if the land was made available. The other scheme envisaged the importation of calves in large numbers from Australia and their rearing on the slopes of Lantau Island.

The success of any such large ventures, and smaller enterprises would not suit the purpose, must always depend upon the facilities which Government is prepared to furnish. From a marketing, obstacle-erecting, time-wasting, and expense-consuming point of view, when land is needed has done far more to check industrial enterprise in the Colony than all the income tax fears could ever do, quickly diminished by the first enthusiasm about food

Refusal of Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax to issue a "blue-print" definition of Allied peace aims on the ground that it was impossible to form

a clear picture of the Europe which would survive the war, to predict who might become involved in extensions of the conflict, has been dramatically endorsed by events.

No-one could have foreseen the cynical ruthlessness and brutality of the Soviet invasion of Finland, such a totally unprovoked attack upon an industrious, unassertive and inoffensive small neighbour. Still less is it possible, to-day, to prophesy the consequences of that brutal assault, the result of its violent impact on sensitivities in the international sphere.

### The Red Cynic

Never has world opinion received a sharper shock. Herr Hitler fashioned the model for the operation, in a series of coups against his neighbours. But his whole effort prior to adventure was concentrated upon the provision of shock-absorbers, whereas Stalin hardly bothered to go through the motions of providing a pretext. To suggest that a tiny nation whose total population barely equalled the mobilised strength of the Red Army had aggressive designs on the U.S.S.R. and created a border incident is an insult to any intelligence. As the "Daily Herald" put it: "The U.S.S.R. is dead and Imperialist Russia is revived under a Red Tear."

### Planned Aggression

A survey of developments from the moment of the Soviet's revival of the dispute she forced upon Finland some few weeks ago leaves no room for doubt that the Kremlin never intended to seek or provide the opportunity for a peaceful solution. The usual "border incident" set the Soviet press off in a trade, and a pre-emptory demand was made upon Finland to withdraw her armed forces 20 miles from the frontier, involving the abandonment of her fixed fortifications. The malignancy of the menace was not misunderstood in Helsinki, but, before it was possible to convey a reply to the Soviet demand offering withdrawal pending the result of submission of the "dispute" to arbitration, M. Molotov announced that diplomatic relations had been severed, and twelve hours later Helsinki was being indiscriminately bombed by air terrorists.

### Puppet Fraud

The Finnish Government went a stage further in an attempt to remove the last Soviet excuse for continuing hostilities. After a meeting of Parliament during which the Cajander Cabinet received a com-

pletely unanimous vote of confidence, M. Cajander and M. Erkkö, held primarily responsible for Finland's refusal to bow the knee to the demand for cession of Finnish territory to the prejudice of Finnish interests, withdrew from the Government, and M. Ryti became Prime Minister. By that time, however, the whole plot was exposed. A "people's government" had been formed a couple of miles inside Finnish territory on Karelian Isthmus, a Finnish Communist who had not seen the country of his origin for 20 years was installed as "President" and M. Molotov had frankly declared that the Soviet would negotiate peace with no other government. To that there seems to be no answer except Finland's continued resistance, or such outside pressure upon Moscow as would induce a new frame of mind.

### Bombing Of Civilians

Not less shocking than the invasion of Finland as such were the tactics of the Soviet military machine. The Molotov assertion that only military objectives in Helsinki were bombed was as stupid a lie as the story of the Finnish invasion of Russia. Large areas of the capital were drenched with high explosive and incendiary bombs, in a series of raids, and if the death toll was not higher this was due solely to the efficiency of Helsinki's A.R.P. training, plus the fact that the town is essentially modern in structure and better able to stand up to blast. That, and the high morale of the population, who did not panic even when the first bombs were dropped without warning. Dastardly as was this bombing of civilians, the only possible military purpose, smashing the spirit of resistance and thus terminating the war swiftly, did not here exist in view of Molotov's refusal to negotiate with any but a frankly pro-Soviet, Soviet-imposed government. The habits of Dictators make an interesting study. Russia hesitated not, well knowing Finland could not reply in kind. Hitler still shirks trying the same tactics with the Allies.

### Economic War

The main theatre of war continues to be exercised chiefly with the clash in the economic field. Vigorous protests against the British decision to apply two-way blockade of Germany, as a reprisal for the mining of commercial shipping channels and indiscriminate sinkings of British and neutral ships, have been

made by Holland, Sweden, Denmark, Belgium, and Japan. Italy, too, has protested, but in a mood so suggestive of a mere formality, than

the remaining protests gain in significance. The Scandinavian and Low Countries, nearest to Germany, and therefore likely to be most seriously affected, are also most susceptible to forceful German pressure. Italy, in substantially the same position as a trading country bordering the Reich, is at the same time a strong military power. Which makes a difference. Japan, of course, provides a special problem of her own. The precise meaning of the Japanese reaction to the decision, which even the Terukuni Maru has failed to make her understand, can only be tested by events.

### Sweden's Protest

Sweden's protest, the latest to be received in Whitehall and at the Quai D'Orsay, follows the lines of its predecessors and the Nazi charge that two-way blockade is a violation of international law. The point overlooked is that international law authorises reprisals, and the stopping of German exports is justified only as a reprisal for flagrant breaches by Germany of every undertaking to which her signature is pledged. Moreover, but for Germany's threats, the vigour of protest would be puzzling, for the similar measures of the last war were far more stringent in their application.

### Peace And War

Mr. Chamberlain did the Allied cause a service by a broadcast to the Empire and Upgraded States which made a neat distinction between war aims and peace aims. The ability to confuse the two has been productive of much misunderstanding. What the Prime Minister did which was of so much value in addition to separating them was to show the futility of drawing the lines of peace until the war has been won.

### Plenary Powers

In France, M. Daladier obtained plenary powers for the duration of the war from both the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate. The French Premier, in a balanced survey, covered much the same ground as the Prime Minister, while explaining in more detail Allied strategy. One thing he brought out, for instance, was the obvious danger (especially at this moment) of being completely committed with all arms on the Western Front, until the international scene had clarified. He made the revelation, too, in answer to Nazi propaganda, that British loss of life in hostilities hitherto have been greatly in excess of the French.

SCRUTATOR.

## Battle Of Ideas: By Dr. Irwin Brown BREAKING DOWN THE "CITADEL"

TWO months of war have dealt the medical profession so many blows that it is now universally agreed that "the profession will never again be what it was." Harley Street has, for all practical purposes, disappeared. From a great variety of motives, many of them altruistic, specialists have agreed that if war broke out they would play their part in the Government's scheme, and would serve as full-time officers wherever they were sent.

This mobilisation of the medical profession was the one and only good thing about the official scheme. Within twenty-four hours all specialists and any general practitioners had thrown up their ordinary way of life, dropped their appointments, and were to be found scattered throughout the casualty clearing hospitals of London, some at the centre, but most far out in the country. The mobilisation was remarkably informal, but air raids were about to start, possibly a quarter of a million casualties (in the words of Mr. Walter Elliot, Minister of Health) would have to be dealt with in three weeks, and the profession was determined to deal with them.

But this almost spontaneous mobilisation was to be followed by weeks of complete immobilisation, which, in turn, has been followed by more furious thought than the doctors have ever suffered from before.

The Ministry of Health had made the mistake of preparing only one scheme for the war. Hitler would launch a Blitzkrieg, there would be 250,000 injured, there must be 250,000 beds, and so there must be 250,000 bandages, so many splints, and so on.

But no alternative was considered, and in the stagnation that has resulted the Ministry has tried so many alternatives that most doctors have given up the struggle to understand them, and are striving to reach the position that a realist Government would have accepted long ago—that there are not an infinite variety of sick and injured men and an equally infinite variety of doctors and agencies for treating disease, but only doctors and patients.

The truth is that between evacuation, conscription, hospitalisation, emptying of hospitals and handing by for air raids, the medical profession has been reduced to a state of perfect co-operation between the services, and in Britain we shall have any resemblance to the war days, and few doctors believe that their profession will ever recover from the

what they were formerly. Indeed, the "Lancet," in a leader, says the whole aspect of hospital and consulting practice has changed beyond recognition, and the same can be said for every practice in the land. There are two main criticisms of the Ministry of Health, and both had been expressed many times before war broke out. The first is that no notice was taken of the experience gained by doctors of all nationalities in the Spanish war; the second that the scheme proposed attempted to preserve every peculiarity of our medical service, instead of wiping them all away in favour of something better.

The first criticism has recently been most strongly voiced in a lecture by Professor Trueta, formerly director of surgery in the largest hospital in Barcelona. Speaking at the Royal Society of Medicine the other day, he produced a tremendous sensation among the hundreds of doctors who crowded one of the biggest medical meetings ever held.

Professor Trueta told how, in Barcelona, they had begun with a system of First-Aid posts and Mobile units very like that prepared in this country, and how, when the war started, they had to sweep it away and substitute something entirely different.

The Barcelona plan has been advocated in this country by a group of doctors who served in Spain, but the Government has refused to listen. Now Dr. Trueta again tells them that the three essentials of a scheme to deal with air raid casualties are: (1) Speed in getting casualties to hospital; (2) classification of injured; and, (3) rapid operation on those who can only be saved by that method.

He tells how he and his colleagues performed 750 major operations in the course of one bombardment, which lasted three days; how little use first aid is under such circumstances (especially when given by people who have never seen blood, like most of our A.R.P. workers); and how vital—when dealing with shell fragments so small, but so infinitely varied in shape and size, and an equally infinite variety of scars and agencies for treating disease, but only doctors and patients.

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Health, the County Councils, the Voluntary Hospitals, the Borough Councils; and nowhere has any attempt been made to discover personnel capable of classifying injured or of setting-up places where such classification could be done.

The Barcelona system survived two years of war and saved hundreds; has our Ministry of Health the wisdom and the courage to call upon the knowledge of Dr. Trueta and others with like experience?

No one who is not in the medical services can conceive our present muddle. I do not say that if air raids occur to-morrow the casualties will not be dealt with rapidly. Doctors faced with injured people will not allow muddle and red tape to come between them.

Nevertheless, the muddle exists and cannot be got rid of until the Ministry of Health is forced to accept what it must have realised long ago to be the only solution—and that is a complete medical service regionally organised and based on the larger hospitals.

At the moment we have municipal and voluntary hospitals staffed by whole-time servants of the Ministry, part-time officers of the Ministry, whole-time officers of County Councils, honorary staff, part-time staffs employed by local authorities, people paid by the session and people paid only when there is an air raid—and all types may be working in the one hospital.

Outside are practitioners paid by the State to do panel work, or the local council to do parish work, or the army to examine recruits, or the Ministry, if, and when, casualties occur—with no one in complete control of anything they do. There are nurses, fully qualified and trained sitting in empty wards; and there are quite unskilled but more than willing auxiliary nurses in all sorts of services; and there are stretcher-bearers by the dozen waiting the call.

But, on the other hand, there are sick and injured—civilians, men on leave, convalescents, soldiers in training, air raid victims, evacuated women and children far from home, nearly all of whom are at the moment treated by different medical services. The position is that there should be only one service, and that service should be a complete medical service, regionally organised and based on the larger hospitals.

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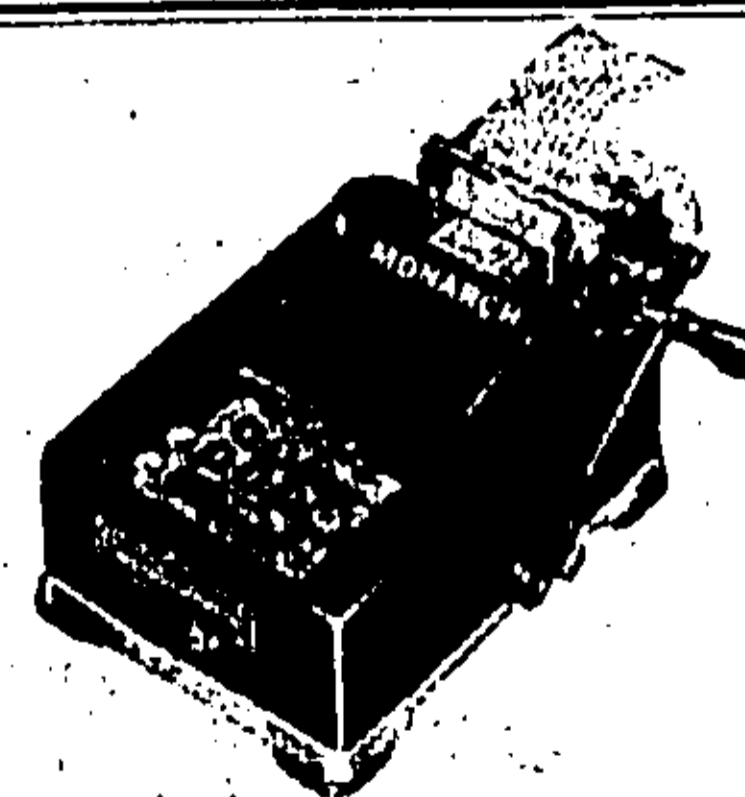
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## Miscellaneous Views



Lieutenant Atkinson and Captain Brown who were noted at the Fanling Paper Hunt last Sunday.



Mrs. Burney and Captain Harland snapped at last Sunday's Paper Hunt at Fanling.



Miss Fair and Mr. and Mrs. Butcher photographed at Fanling while last Sunday's Paper Hunt was in progress.



Captain J. S. Rodrigues of the H.K.V.D.C., who received the insignia of a Member of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, at an impressive ceremony at Government House last Saturday. Professor K. A. Digby was invested with the insignia of an Officer of the Civil Division of the same order on the same day.

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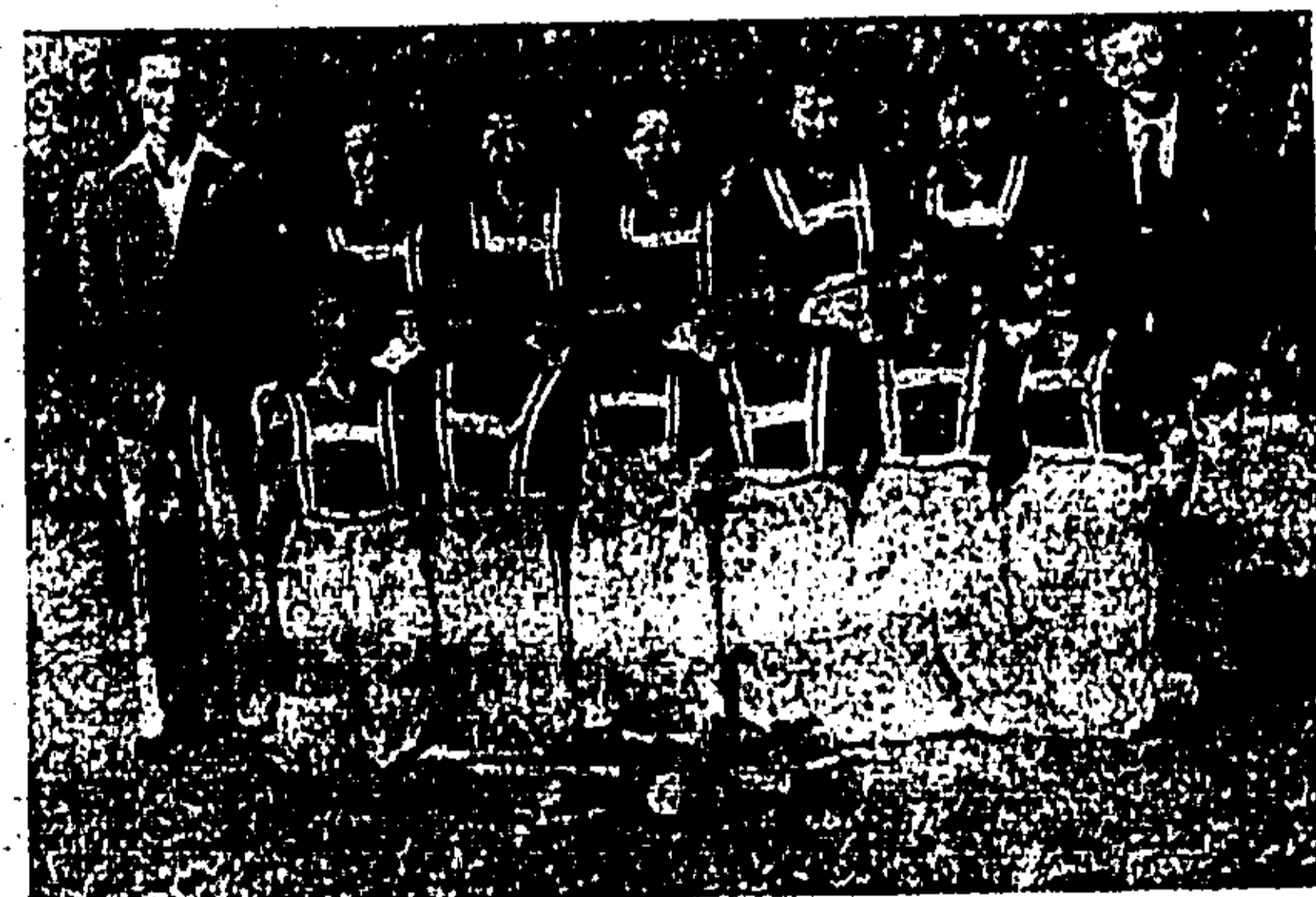
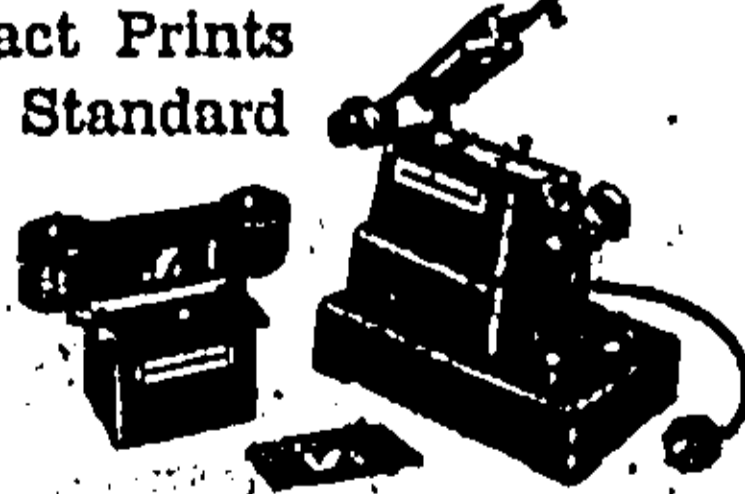
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## To-day's Strange Story Of Real People

By VINCENT TOWNE

### Aaron Burr—Traitor Or Victim?

AARON Burr was the most dramatic figure in American history. Although small of stature, he possessed a magnetism and fascination which both men and women found irresistible. He was endowed with the finest gifts of nature and of fortune, a dauntless resolution and cool self-possession that made him a forceful character in whatever enterprise he elected to embark.

He was the son of the president of Princeton University and grandson of the eminent Jonathan Edwards. At 16, he was a graduate of Princeton, and at 19 performed in the Revolutionary War acts of bravery for which he was rewarded with the rank of major. At 35 he was United States Senator from New York. At 45 he was Vice President of the United States, while holding which office he killed Alexander Hamilton in a duel, an event which blasted his political prospects.

According to popular history, Burr, after retiring from the Vice Presidency, planned to collect a body of followers, and, after conquering Texas and Mexico, establish in Latin-America a republic or a kingdom of which he should be the head. A more serious charge against him was that he hoped also to separate certain of the Far Western States from the Union and amalgamate them with his new em-

pire, whose capital was to be established at New Orleans. This vast project, it is alleged, Jefferson frustrated after being warned of the conspiracy. The result was Burr's trial for treason of which charge he was acquitted at the sensational trial which, at Richmond, Virginia, lasted for six months.

According to his champions, Burr's great popularity with the people and his influence over his party's leaders aroused the bitter jealousy of Thomas Jefferson when he fled with the latter for the Presidency. Burr, being afterward dubbed the "heir apparent," Jefferson feared that a second Presidential term might be denied him, and thereupon determined to drive his chief rival out of politics.

Burr's avowed purpose was to conquer Texas and make himself President of it (just as Sam Houston did in later years, without outraging his brother Americans). Seizing upon Burr's preparations to this end, Jefferson is believed by some authorities to have distorted Burr's real purpose. General James Wilkinson, whom Jefferson used to expose Burr, was an adventurer, who, after serving his apprenticeship under Benedict Arnold, was said to have been a paid spy of Spain, although in command of our army upon the frontier.

Burr's champions have maintained that the real provocation for Jefferson's systematic persecution of him was the latter's discovery that his enemies had in their possession depositions detailing an intrigue with the Federalists by which he (Jefferson) had secured the election against Burr.

Whatever their motives, the proceedings later taken against Burr were to say the least, remarkable. By what is believed to have been Jefferson's orders, General Wilkinson terrorised the people of New Orleans into the belief that Burr with an army was on his way to capture the city, rob the banks,



Burr On Trial For Treason.

plunder the people, steal nearly everything belonging to them and seize all of the shipping in the port.

Martial law was proclaimed, mass meetings were held, volunteer companies formed and a general panic resulted. Business came to a standstill. Then sensible men obtained court action against the high-handedness of Wilkinson, but he defied the court and was attached for contempt. But the court found itself powerless to enforce the law, and, in disgust, the Judge resigned, John Randolph, of Roanoke, denouncing Wilkinson, said that he had "out-Heroded Herod."

When apprehended hundreds of miles above New Orleans, Burr's party consisted of 60 men unarmed save with farm implements—an expedition scarcely calculated to capture New Orleans, with its garrison of 1,000 regulars. He was arrested, but the grand jury, after finding that he had neither committed nor contemplated any unlawful act, censured the authorities for his arrest. Nevertheless, he was rearrested and carried hundreds of miles from the

scene of his alleged crime, and before he was even indicted his entire property had been confiscated, reducing him to utter poverty. Henry Clay, who acted as his attorney during these preliminaries wrote:

"Such was our conviction of the innocence of the accused that when he sent us a considerable fee we resolved to decline accepting it and accordingly returned it."

It has been claimed that Alexander Hamilton, Rufus King and General Knox were originally in favour of Burr's purpose to liberate Latin America. And it has been held that Burr's proposed conquest of Mexico would have been, in principle precisely the same as what Sam Houston did in winning the independence of Texas.

On hearing of Houston's feat, Burr, in great excitement, turned to a friend exclaiming: "There! You see, I was right! I was only 30 years too soon! What was treason in me 30 years ago is patriotism now!"

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#### A DOCTOR ADVISES:

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Indeed, the famous German surgeon Billroth operated most brilliantly when he had attended a concert the previous evening.

Singing, moreover, induces a feeling of equilibrium and optimism. I recommend voice culture as a means of building up one's sense of authority: If you want to succeed in life, it is important to have a voice that impresses people, one that is sufficiently strong and of pleasant quality.

Radio revolutionised our way of living and developed an uninspiring laziness in us. It is so easy to twist a knob.

Some people consider themselves musicians on the same flimsy grounds that a friend of mine fancies himself a sportsman because he attends tennis and boxing matches from time to time. There are moments when one can well be passive; there are other times when an active role is more in place. The study of music does not mean that you remain slouched in a chair for hours at a time listening to what by chance your radio may bring you.

Happily, a reaction to the indolence in matters musical induced by the radio is becoming evident. Recently a piano tuner told me that he had tuned twice as many pianos in 1930 as in 1927.

#### JEETS UNDER THE BREATH

A fire that broke out in a Hampshire public-house was extinguished by means of beer. We understand that one or two obstinate customers had to be put out as well.

According to a prison governor, some ex-convicts are very sensitive about their past experiences. We heard of one who became positively violent if he was offered juggled hare.

"The human body needs oil," states a doctor. In the case of crooners, rate-collectors, and income-tax men, we have heard the boiling variety spoken of very highly.

We read that a Belgian gardener is trying to produce a vegetable that is a combination of cabbage and asparagus. So the ready-made cigar seems to be on its way at last.

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The extremely dry skin can stand only infrequent washings with soap and water — perhaps three a week. The possessor of such a skin condition must use a very rich cleansing cream (similar to old fashioned cold cream texture); a mild refreshing tonic after a skin cleansing and always a protective foundation beneath her make-up. She will find it absolutely necessary to cream her face morning and night, followed by the tonic. Every other night she may wash her face well with a rich cold cream soap, warm water and a soft complexion brush or a turkish face cloth.

### THE NORMALLY DRY SKIN

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I find cream rouge is better to use with such a foundation than compact rouge, and I like to apply powder generously with a down puff and brush most of it away with a powder brush! The thin film of powder which remains blends perfectly with the skin tone and people have to look very closely to see if you are powdered at all! It gives the illusion that your skin is vitally alive with glowing colour.

Some of the foundation or protective creams which are on the market are too drying, or too vanishing, for dry skins. You put on a cream before your make-up to protect your skin. If the cream quickly disappears into the skin it is apt to clog the pores and not furnish the protection you need.

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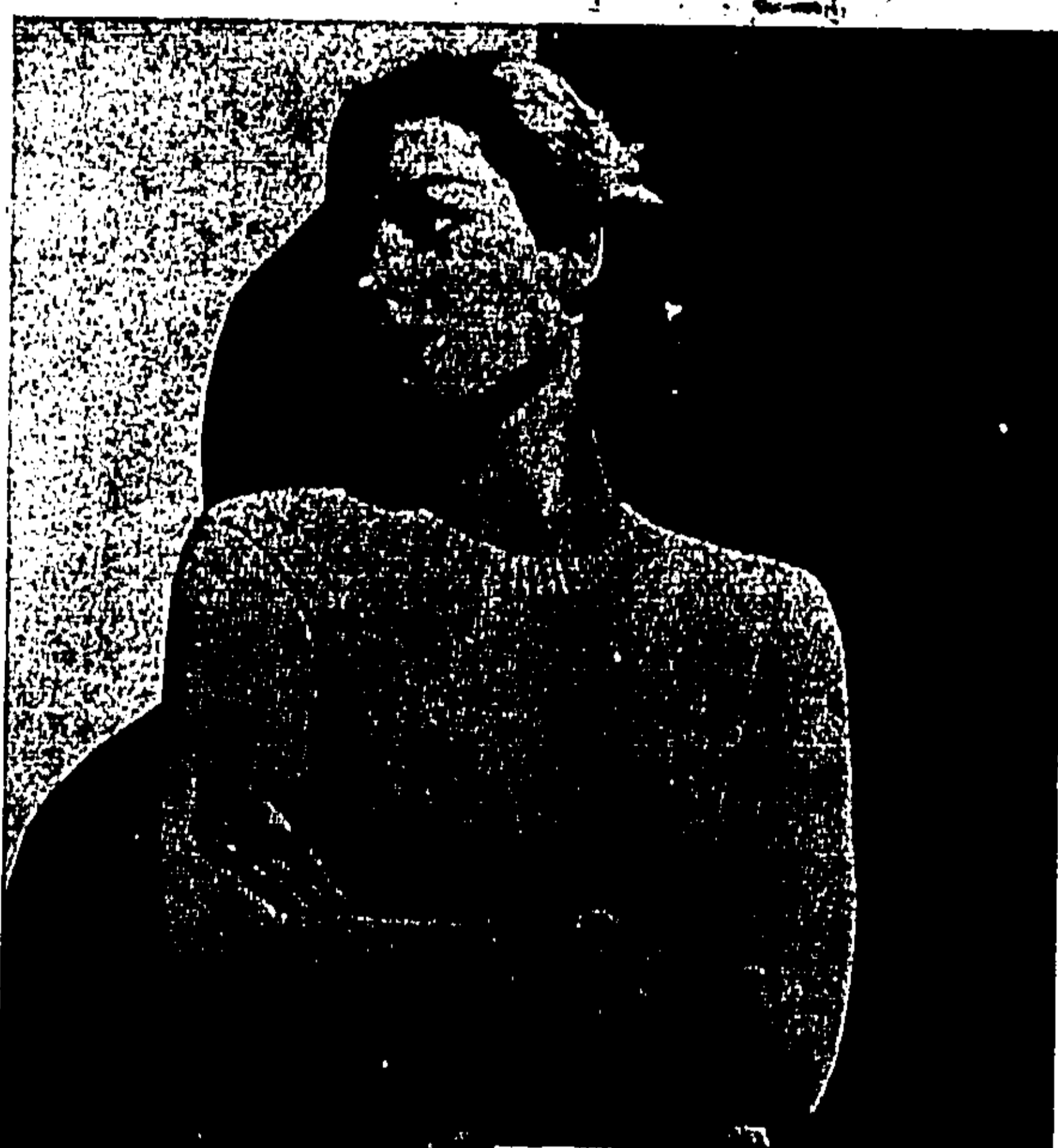
There is a lot to be said in favour of those foundation preparations which come in compact form and which require a dampening with skin tonic for application. They do hide minor blemishes and they do give your skin a velvety looking texture. They should, however, be held in reserve for night make-up



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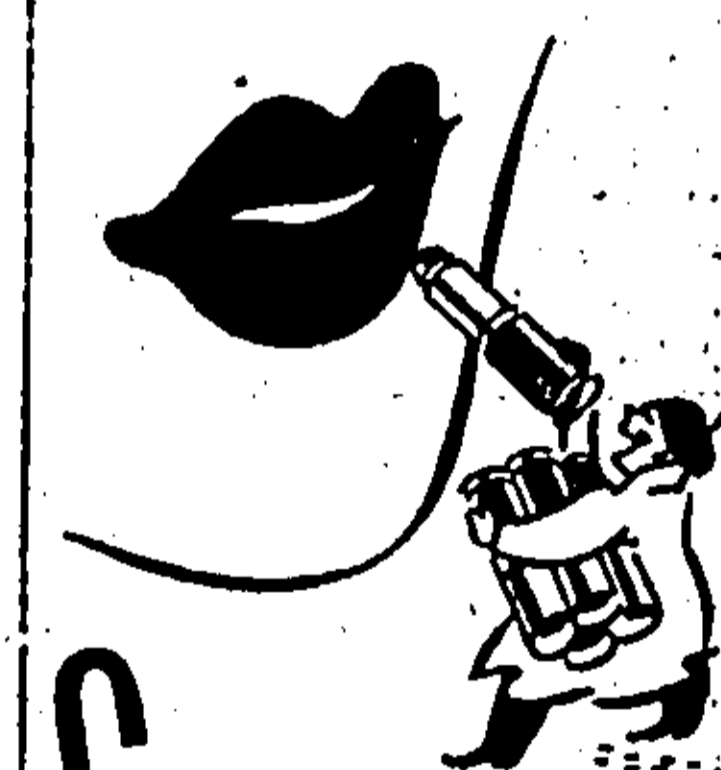
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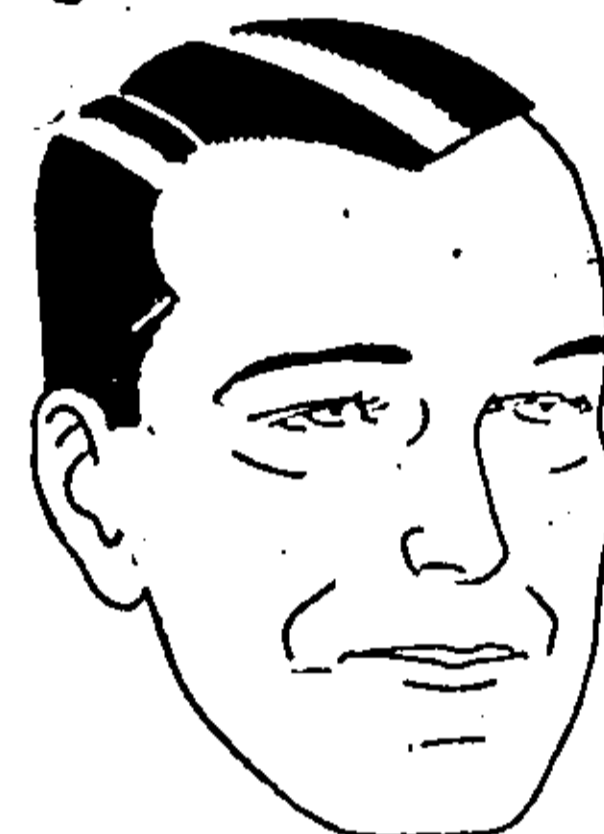
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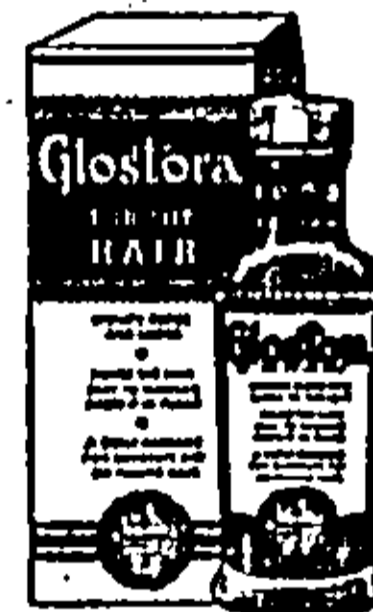
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## Barmmaids: A Vindication

BREWERS are benefactors, vintners evoke eulogies. But the very title of Barmmaid carries with it a stigma. The first syllable of the word is accented; the second is considered pure irony. Virtue is arrogated to the customers' side of the bar. Men who have grown blue, bloated and spongy in the pubs of the country have an unalterable belief that the rail on which their right feet rest is the brazen deadline between respectability and the outer darkness. The girls hate the term "barmmaid," but don't know what else to call themselves. By a curious twist of circumstances, Barman has become something of a title of nobility—"Jimmy the Barman," "Harry the Barman." But Barmmaid has all the odour of a fate much worse than death, though the barmmaid adds the spice of genuine society to the harmless and necessary beer, wines and spirits of the lonely drinker and so earns profound masculine gratitude.

It is the result of an evil tradition, a hangover from Gin Lane; a relic of the lamplit days of Flabby Annie, who fought a hatpin-duel with Battleship Sarah; a musty shadow of the idiotic past, when abominable blasphemies bubbled through bearded lips that were moist with Srib or Dog's Nose, and cudgels made the toppers fly, and eyes were gouged out over the porter-pots, and whiskey-maddened Irishmen kicked each other to death among the blood-stained bottles on the filthy sawdust. Drinking in pubs, you gather, had not at that period become the calm social function that it is to-day. The temperance tracts showed the unhappy barmmaid little mercy. Woodcuts depicted her as a harpy with far too much bosom and coiffure, wrenching the bread out of the mouths of the drinkers' children. How could a barmmaid be decent? Think of the language she had to listen to!

Nothing that the barmmaid did could possibly be right. If she defended her honour she was a virago:



... But you dared not be seen raising your hat to her in the street.

If she didn't, she was damned. It was suggested that, resting her great immoral elbows on the alcohol-drenched marble, she hurled back vile oath for vile oath; hobnobbed over boiling rum with undesirable characters in the dead of night to get herself camisoles and brooches. Battered women with mauve faces were said to look "like barmmaids." A grossly vulgar hat was a "barmmaid's hat."

The private life of the barmmaid was full of hideous mystery. When she was not lying, stupefied with rotgut liquor, among the broken clay pipes and the brimming cuspidors, she was rioting on the knees of leering profligates, or, waving black bottles, was coaxing the last few shillings out of the pay-envelopes of the proletariat. "Ah, come on Jasper, just one more bit of bread out of your children's mouths. . . . Just one more bottle of medicine from your consumptive wife; be a sport."

The '80's and '90's reinstated her, to some slight extent, in the ranks of the not-utterly-lost; but that was only a flash in the pan, brought about by two or three barmmaids who married into the Peckage. In general, the barmmaid remained socially a pariah. You might wear your elbows to the bone leaning over the bar and exchanging witticisms with

her, but you dare not be seen raising your hat to her in the street.

The War emancipated them, but the stigma clung. As a chorus-girl preferred to be A Lady In The Chorus, so a barmmaid chose to be A Lady Behind The Bar.

And it is so, even to this day.

The barmmaid is noble, amenable, intelligent, and highly necessary, like the publican. Some houses prefer to employ men behind their bars, in case the gentlemen want to swear: you might want to rush into a pub and shout, "Oh, damn, damn, damn!" (In that case, the male bartender would not turn a hair.) But the wisest licensed victuallers select their girls from among the most amiable and beautiful of woman-kind, and accordingly honour and cherish them.

I have said it before, and I will say it again—if I had a daughter, I would finish her education by putting her behind a bar for a year or two. Thus, I should be able to rest assured of her purity, widening common sense, and developing sense of discrimination. No man can fool a barmmaid. And working, as she does, until after eleven o'clock at

By Gerald Kersh

night, what time has she in which to go astray? (Merely from midnight until morning.)

But seriously: no woman learns more about men than the barmmaid. She sees them in their strength and their weakness; learns how they behave when they are out; gets to know what no other girl knows—what men say about women among themselves; observes how men carry on when they forget that women are present; notices the gradual loosening-up of the masculine exterior under the influence of liquor; sees how they work, and what they are stuffed with; and, consciously or subconsciously, learns how to place them with reasonable accuracy in their respective categories.

The average home-wrecker gets nowhere with the barmmaid. She knows the type. He sits staring into space. She watches him, knowing perfectly well that he is waiting for her to say, "A penny for your thoughts." If she does, he will reply: "Oh, they're worth much more than that," and give her a dirty look, after which he will remark that it is either a nice or a nasty day, as the case may be, and so plunge into animated conversation. He earns two thousand a year, has a beautiful car, likes her type, travels a great deal, and is lonely; thinks the colour of her hair very beautiful, her dress eminently suitable, her eyes not unlike those of Joan Crawford, her ears like little pink shells, her legs similar to Eleanor Powells, and he bets she has been on the films. What, no? Not? He calls upon his Maker, offers a cigarette, knows that she may not smoke it now, but hopes that she will save it for afterwards, and think of him; wonders how she manages to keep her hands so nice, since beer plays hell with the nail-varnish. What? Does she say that her hands are rough? Ha-ha. Rough! Impossible! he can see that they are exactly like Carole Lombard's hands. May he feel them? . . . Exactly: just like Carole Lombard. May he feel them again? Velvet. Is that an engagement-ring? No? Oh, fine, fine. He looks down meditatively; starts; expresses wonder at the beauty of her feet; wonders what size shoes she takes. Four? That would be a Size 9 stocking? He has some Size 9 stockings. What fun! What joy! Yet so much standing must be hard on the feet, must it not? It must. May he feel her hands again? No? Oh. Standing about until eleven o'clock? A scandal. He will write to all the papers, for he is well-known and respected by all the papers, if she gets what he means. . . . Yet drawing beer like that must give one muscular arms. May he feel her muscles? No? But never mind: she has beautiful arms. He bets fifty thousand pounds that



her wave is natural. Would she like to have a drink with him? Not now thanks? Then—

(She knew this was coming.)  
—how about meeting him later on?

Two thousand a year—poor! she says to herself, Little Mr. Thinks was telling old Mr. Smith how he got a suit just like that for fifty-five shillings at Burton's; and his hat is a seven-and-ninepenny one; that ten-shilling note is obviously all he has; and he is wearing Woolworth's cufflinks.

The Saloon Bar Big Business Man has no secrets from her. She knows how to balance the discrepancies between probability and appearance. The brief-case falls to impress her. She knows who is drinking when he ought to be at work; and diagnoses the reasons for questionable collars and shabby cuffs. Suits and ties cut no ice with her: she has the habit of looking at a man's boots. Vile propositions do not arouse her to unreasonable wrath; she has heard them all before. Knowing that a customer who has taken the barmmaid out does not come back again, she steers clear of assignations as bad for trade. Like a film star, she finds it politic to profess no permanent attachment, but smiles equally on all the customers.

Brandy-and-soda orders impress her with no feeling of financial solidity but rather with a vague suspicion. She can gauge the income of a customer to within fifty pounds a year. Bad language does not abash her: she has heard it all before. As a necessary part of her equipment as a barmmaid, she has acquired the technique of the good listener, and a mastery of non-committal sympathetic noises.

At the same time, she learns to disbelieve three-quarters of what men say in pubs.

She can listen five hundred times to the same joke, and still laugh as if for the first time. She can receive five hundred flatteries without losing her head, for the flattery of mankind is part of the daily exchange. She knows a crook when she sees one, and can also distinguish an honest man; gets to know whom she can trust. Since she has perpetually before her eyes the Morality Play of Gluttony, Drunkenness, Envy, Hatred, Malice, Lying, Cheating, Slothfulness, Slovenliness, Spiritual Pride, Lechery, Treachery and Ingratitude, her moral standard is high.

Since definite opinion alienates customers, she is not opinionated; has no politics. Because her daily round involves continual washing and wiping, she develops habits of cleanliness. When business is slack, she knits, thus preparing herself for the sacred function of motherhood; or reads the Daily Mirror, thus improving her mind. In the course of her work she has polished her tongue to a diplomatic smoothness.

She must be neat and tidily-dressed on a pretty small wage; hence, she is careful, thrifty, resourceful with oddments of Celanese; a good manager. She has instinctively acquired the art of Making Friends and Influencing People.

The nobility and gentry, who know what is what, have, as I said, gone so far as to take brides from behind bars. It is a proof of the sterling value of these maligned women—great men have been unable to get along without the moralising presence of a barmmaid.

Yet the ancient libel-perpetrator: "Barmmaid, black sheep."

Bah!

## Recent Weddings



The Registrar of Marriages, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, officiated at four Chinese weddings at the Registry, Supreme Court, on November 20, among them being the marriage of Mr. Lam Ka Huen, merchant, to Miss Chow Wal-san, nurse, photographed above. (Venus Studio).



Mr. and Mrs. Wah Hon Po whose marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, recently. The bride is the former Miss Kwok Pui-lan. (Venus Studio).



Among the four Chinese couples married at the Registry, Supreme Court, on November 25, were Sub-Inspector Luk Hin-pang, of the Hong Kong Police, and Miss Tam Hau-wan, who are shown above following the ceremony.



Mr. Roland H. J. Brooks, popular assistant station officer of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade, and his bride, the former Miss Helene Caudron, who were married at the Rosary Church on November 22.



Mr. and Mrs. G. B. S. Thomson, who were married in Hong Kong Union Church on November 24. The bride is the former Miss Katherine Pilar Seth. Mr. and Mrs. Thomson are spending their honeymoon in Manila, and are expected to return here shortly to make their home.

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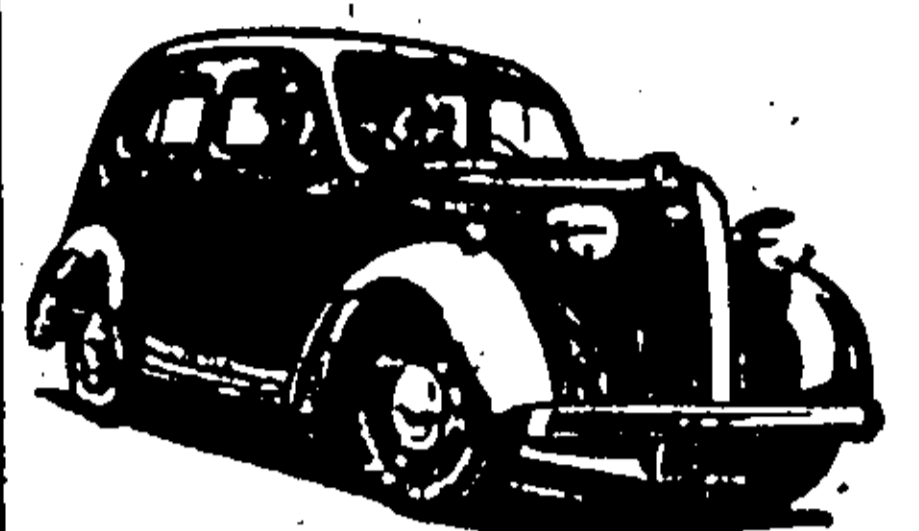
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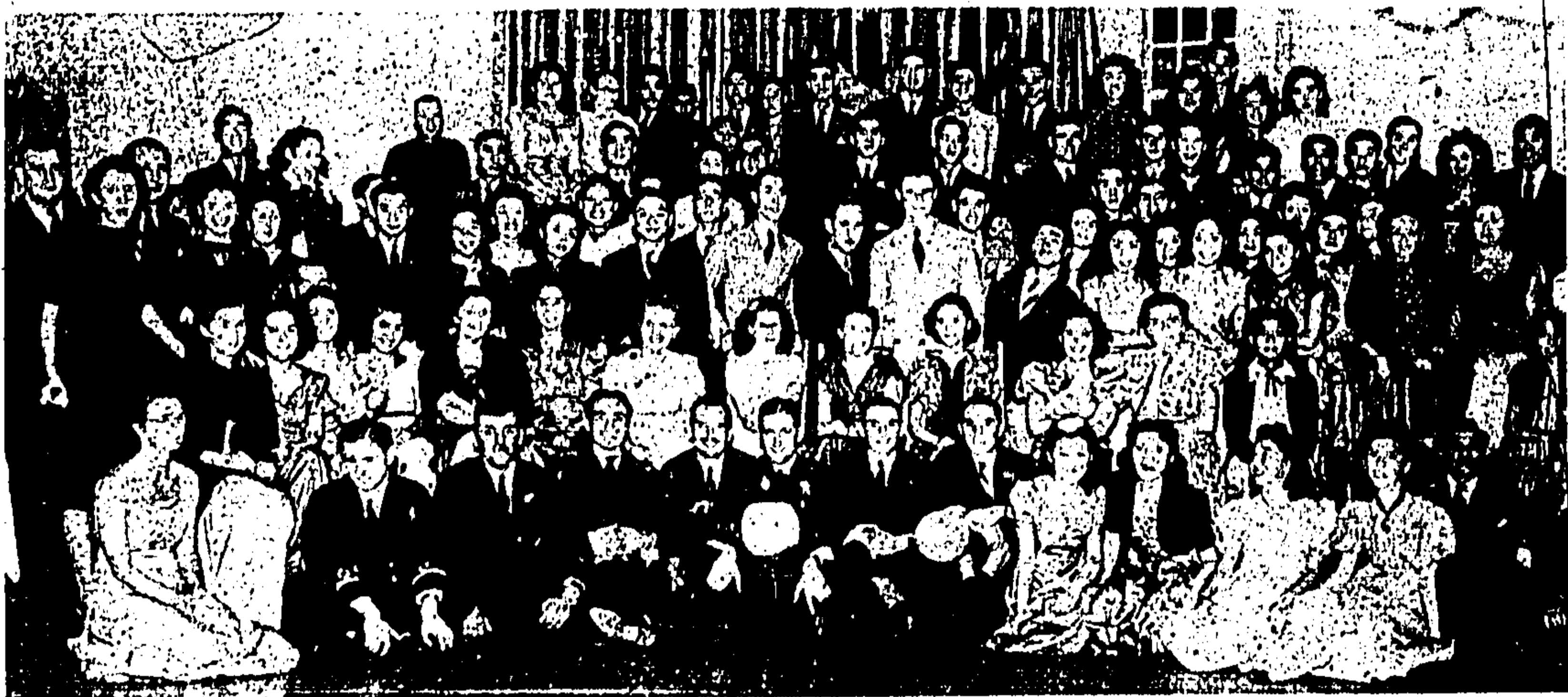
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## TO-DAY

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The child born on December 3, generally has a remarkable amount of poise, and sufficient self-possession to attract attention. Children born on this date should have impressed upon them the importance of not expressing their likes and dislikes too freely. Their prospects seem to be very bright.

If a man and December 3 is your natal day, you may have an ambition along literary or artistic lines that is apt to be realised through persistent effort. Journalism, acting, painting, selling, inventing, promoting or publicity work are among activities in which you should do exceedingly well.

## MONDAY

If a woman and December 4 is your birthday, you can develop a cheerful disposition with very little effort. Vivacity and versatility are characteristics that you most likely have, and that you ought to find most helpful. Matrimonial happiness seems assured for you. Through housekeeping, nursing, painting, ringing, writing or selling you are likely to obtain gratifying results.

The child born on December 4 is apt to have a poetic nature, literary aspirations and dramatic ability. Children born on this date often do things in a haphazard fashion, unless trained when young to be orderly. After adolescence they generally settle down to hard work in an effort to further their pet ambition.

If a man and December 4 is your natal day, a strong affection is likely to claim you and stimulate your efforts. Your objective is likely to be lofty and benefit several people. You may have an inspiration that will lead to your making a lot of money. As a lawyer, architect, author, dramatist, actor, historian, inventor, salesman or banker, Lady Luck may be your constant companion.

## TUESDAY

If a woman and December 5 is your birthday, to be happy keep your mind diverted by some social literary, or commercial activity. You must never be satisfied to sit around the house doing nothing. You ought to plan giving pleasure to others as well as yourself. Unselfishness is essential to your peace of mind and your future happiness. As a musician, poet, author, artist, interior decorator, actress or educator your ability may be demonstrated and recognized to your complete satisfaction. Many valuable friendships may be formed and the results of pro-



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perity enjoyed, and the blessing of love experienced through marriage.

The child born on December 5 should, as it grows older, develop an excellent vocabulary, and the ability to express itself exceptionally well. An attractive individuality ought to help make this youngster's way through life comparatively easy. Many splendid opportunities will apparently be presented to the children of Sagittarius, who celebrate their birth anniversary this day.

If a man and December 5 is your natal day, cultivate forbearance, cheerfulness and charity. If you would get the most out of life, impatience can cause you much needless suffering. Through politics, contracting, promoting, selling, writing, inventing, theatrical work, or a professional career you may find yourself in an enviable position and very happy.

## WEDNESDAY

If a woman and December 6 is your birthday, you may attach too much importance to what other people think. Lead your own life and let others lead theirs. The rule of love can sometimes be extremely tyrannical and it will be a mistake if you permit it to tempt you to play the despot in your home. You are of a decidedly positive nature, seldom allowing your negative side to assert itself. You like to contact people, and, if you engage in business, may be unwilling to delegate this duty to anyone else. Your individuality can be capitalised advantageously, for the popularity you may gain through it might be instrumental in your making plenty of money. Some type of educational, literary, commercial, artistic or dramatic work may enable you to earn a reputation and a large bank account.

The child born on December 6 may need encouragement through praise. Such children are frequently very sensitive; harshness reacts badly on their spirit. A desire for knowledge often makes them appear unduly inquisitive. Their chance to achieve success is very good because many notable men and women have been born on this date.

If a man and December 6 is your natal day, a cleverness should be apparent in your work. You have, most likely, a conscientious regard for your responsibilities, and never shirk a duty. As an agriculturalist, scientist, architect, engineer, author, actor, clergyman, musician or singer you may gain distinction and freedom from financial worry.

## THURSDAY

If a woman and December 7 is your birthday, money can never buy happiness, so consult your heart rather than your pocketbook, in making any decision involving your well-being. You are probably very tenacious, and will hold steadfast to any ideal or ambition, until it is realised. Through your loyalty to family or friends, you may be richly rewarded. As a public entertainer, singer, artist, newspaper woman, office executive, or shop manager your opportunities to make money may be so numerous that they will amaze you. Marriage is apparently your stepping stone to happiness and the good things of life.

The child born on December 7, is often somewhat of a dreamer, although practiced enough in the discharge of any tasks or duties assigned to it. Pride will make this youngster maintain a standard, which ultimately will be responsible for its success.

If a man and December 7 is your natal day, you ought to be capable

of giving good advice to those who consult you. Your restless disposition makes it necessary for you to be busy to be contented. Through exploration, politics, mining, farming, painting, writing, botany, chemistry or inventing, you may find a most satisfactory way to make a living and enjoy life.

## FRIDAY

If a woman and December 8 is your birthday, although you might give little evidence of it, you are probably instinctively very religious. Consideration and courtesy mean a great deal to you, so you must be discriminating in the selection of your friends, if you would avoid falling out with them. Do not indulge in developing peculiarities, for they will not help your popularity. Be broadminded, for any evidence of bigotry on the part of people born on this date, usually is very detrimental to the advancement of their prospects in life. Among the business activities in which you ought to do well are: Insurance, real estate, restaurant management, interior decorating and secretarial work. Professionally you might make an



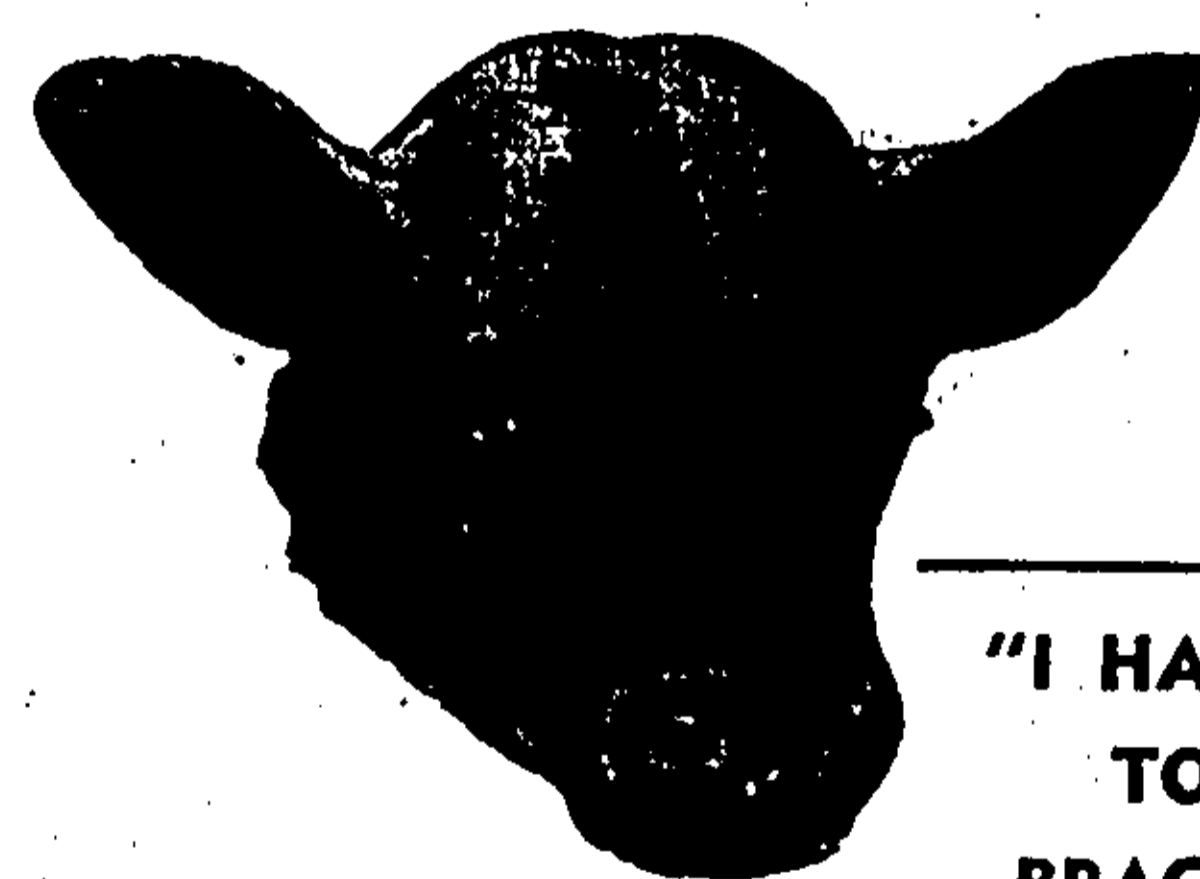
HOW AGGRESSION BEGINS.—One fish between them—the little fellow has it, the big fellow covets it. A picture with a moral from the London Zoo. (Copyright, Fox).

## SATURDAY

If a woman and December 9 is your birthday, you seem to be due to brighten many lives. Blessed with a vast amount of understanding and sympathy, you perhaps will adjust many differences, and be in a position to give a great deal of excellent advice. Through your love for others will come your own happiness. Your financial condition and social position ought eventually to be most satisfactory. Your hopes are likely to be realised in an unexpected manner, and during this coming year you should have many reasons for rejoicing. Great success may crown your efforts as a teacher, writer, poet, musician, broker, store executive, actress or designer. Your married life is apt to be founded on love and mutual respect, with the spirit of cooperation welding it securely.

The child born on December 9, is usually the fulfillment of parental dreams and a realisation of their ambitious hopes. This youngster's ambitions are likely to lead it to some noteworthy accomplishments, with a reflection of glory that is likely to extend to its family circle.

If a man and December 9 is your natal day, your philosophy of life will probably not only brighten your own, but your relatives as well. As a publisher, editor, printer, literary man, doctor, lawyer, salesman, actor or clergyman you may win an enviable reputation.



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But take fresh hope — here are three exercises which should help you to get control of those flabby abdomen muscles which are not holding you in to a more pleasing curve!

### STRETCH FIRST

Limber up your bound muscles by stretching first. Stand facing the wall and stretch your arms high overhead and rest your hands on the wall. Now tuck in your tummy as if you had been spanked by surprise. Pull in your abdomen and lift it up. Now you are in good position to stretch. Reach high, relax and repeat from beginning.

Now stand sideways against the wall, stretch one hand high and pull yourself up on your toes with a feeling that your tummy is separating from your ribs. Relax and repeat.

The third stretch is done by standing with feet eighteen inches apart and clasping your hands behind your head. Bend to left slowly and then to right, as far as you can go. Relax and repeat.

### AFTER YOU HAVE STRETCHED

Now comes the exercise which truly shows results in a week or two if you will do it every single morning AFTER you have gone through the stretching exercises above.

At first you

will not be able to make the grade but in your clumsy manner keep trying and soon with a one, two, three you will be up on your shoulders, balanced by your arms as illustrated in the photograph! The best way to get in that position is to sit on the floor, supported by your arms, and rock back onto your shoulders. Then place your hands on your hips for support and slowly put your legs up in the air.

Now comes the true test of control! Draw right knee down to your head without losing balance and then straighten your leg to right angle of your body as pictured. Bend it back and up to the other leg. Relax. Get into position again and repeat the exercise with the left leg.

### SUCCESS!

About the time you see a noticeable slimness to your midriff you will be able to hold the position on your shoulders, supported by your arms and bend first the right leg and then the left, alternately, ten or twelve times without losing your balance or having to take time out to relax. And what a grand feeling of accomplishment that is!

Your abdomen muscles are firm, your spine is strengthened and your posture, my dear, will be very much improved.

(Posed by Penny Singleton of Columbia Pictures.)



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### WATCH THAT MIDRIF

It seems that men at last realise they cannot retain their youthful attractiveness after the twenty-fifth year, without adopting an active sport for a hobby or resorting to corrective exercises. More and more, men are writing physicians and beauty editors inquiring about exercises to correct this or that figure defect, or for exercises which will help them retain their vigour and health. Too many have reached thirty to find that a "corporation" is visible and their pep lags!

It stands to reason that men who have desk or table occupations, who are denied the physical activity of outdoor work, cannot hope to keep health up to par by an occasional day of exercise. Just as women need corrective exercises daily to retain health and loveliness, so do men require from ten to fifteen minutes of mat movements each day unless they are able to walk two or three miles, or keep at a competitive game such as squash, tennis, bowling or golf.

As we grow older it becomes all too easy to take a little exercise

as possible, so we must deliberately choose to exercise if we wish to enjoy its benefits. No groaning or sighing when you get down on the carpet to kick and roll to muscle suppleness! Take your exercise in good spirit for it is needed to keep the heart and lungs in prime condition, to keep the circulation active, to improve digestion and elimination, and to preserve an attractive posture which in itself is an insurance for better health.

But the man who is older, and not well, should under no circumstances throw himself energetically into an exercise routine without first seeking the approval of his physician. It may be all right, but then again he may have to take to exercising gradually if his condition is much below normal. However, young men should begin during their twenty-fifth year and keep up the routine for the years to come.

### KEEP GIRTH NORMAL

A man's vanity is certainly touched if you speak about his expanding midriff! He'll tell you it's the cut of his trousers that gives you the illusion that a corporation is appearing! Or he'll have another excuse. Actually the waistline is the part of his physique he should watch. He will keep in better health if he will keep that measurement down! And strange as it seems, the exercises planned to slim the waistline seem the most unobtainable to him. Can you get him to touch his toes every morning for fifty times? Just try!

### TRY THIS ONE

The following exercise, if done regularly will help keep shoulders straight, waistline normal and upper arms strong. But it must be done ten times every single day.

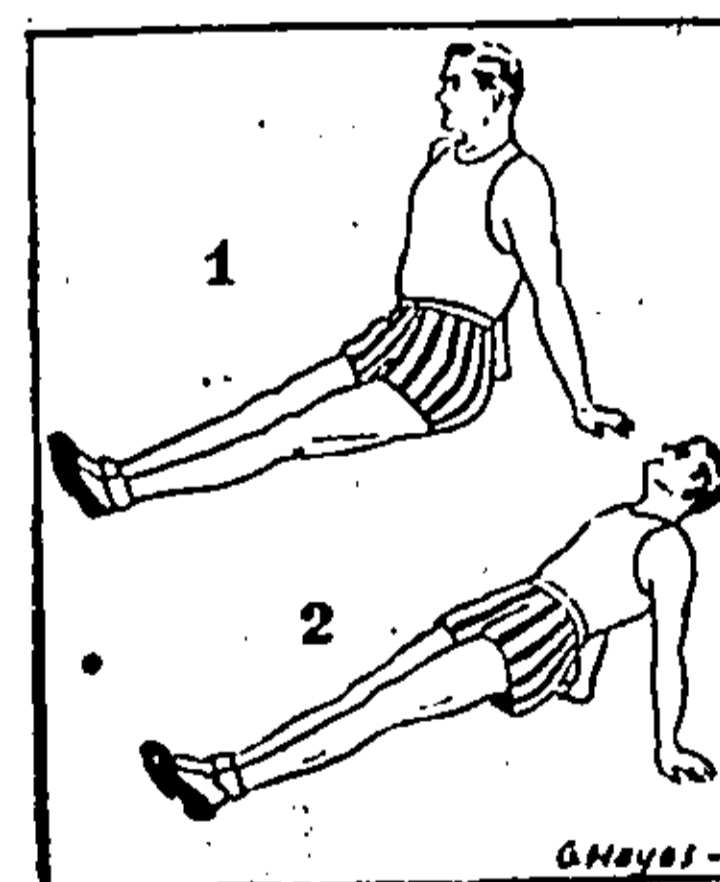
Sit on the floor, lean slightly backward and brace yourself with your hands — feet and legs straight. Lift waist and hips off floor upward — (keeping body straight) resting only on palms and heels. Return to sitting position. For the first few days you probably will not be able to get the heavy hips off the floor, but keep trying, it can be done!

WITH Christmas a-coming, here's your recipe for—

### ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING

2 cups beef suet, put through meat grinder.  
2 cups bread crumbs.  
¾ cup flour.  
1 tablespoon cornstarch.  
1 cup raisins, stoned.  
1 cup currants.  
1 cup sultana raisins.  
1 cup almonds, chopped fine.  
½ cup mixed peel, cut fine.  
1 cup brown sugar.  
2 lemons (juice and rind) rind grated.  
½ teaspoon nutmeg.  
½ teaspoon mace.  
½ teaspoon cloves.  
½ teaspoon cinnamon.  
5 eggs.  
1 cup Carnation Milk, undiluted.  
4 tablespoons baking powder.  
1 teaspoon salt.  
4 tablespoons brandy.  
1 cup molasses.

Mix all together and pour into one large greased mould or two smaller ones (empty coffee cans may be used), filling two-thirds full. Cover and steam 3 hours. At serving time, resteam 1 hour. Serve with hard sauce or hot pudding sauce.

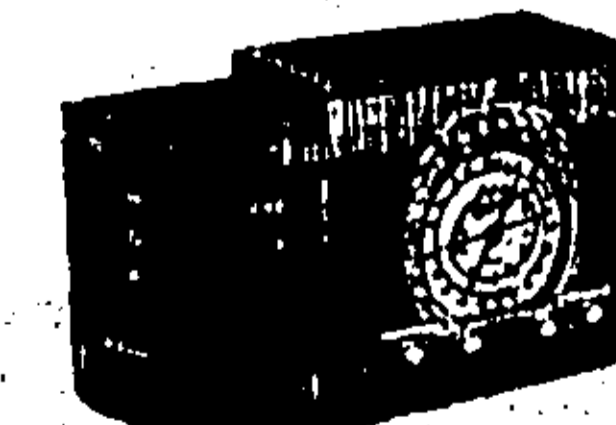


This efficacious three-in-one exercise is described in to-day's column.

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# CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Ely Culbertson

THE new Culbertson three bid, which in a minor suit shows an absolutely solid six or seven-card suit and, in a major, shows a suit that is at least within one trick of solid, is extremely valuable for slam bidding as well as for its pre-emptive qualities. As we all know, it sometimes is extremely difficult for the player who has most of the honour tricks to count on a solid trump suit in his partner's hand, particularly when he himself has less than adequate trump support. Take a hand such as the one shown below, for example. It is questionable whether the laydown grand slam could have been safely reached through any medium other than

an opening three bid. [Of course, considering that the declarer messed up the hand, the excellent opening three bid was more a liability than an asset in this particular case.]

South, dealer:

Both side vulnerable.

|             |              |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| SOUTH       |              | EAST         |              |
| S-A K 7     | S-10 5 4 3 2 | S-10 5 4 3 2 | S-10 5 4 3 2 |
| H-A K 7 2   | H-Q 10       | H-Q 10       | H-Q 10       |
| D-J         | D-6 2        | D-6 2        | D-6 2        |
| C-A J 6 5 3 | C-K 10 4 2   | C-K 10 4 2   | C-K 10 4 2   |

The bidding:

|            |      |            |      |
|------------|------|------------|------|
| South      | West | North      | East |
| 3 diamonds | Pass | 4 no trump | Pass |
| 5 diamonds | Pass | 7 diamonds | Pass |
| Pass       | Pass | Pass       | Pass |

The bidding is worthy of comment. North, even with five-plus honour tricks, could not have risked bidding a grand slam if he had not been sure that South's diamond suit was solid. The very fact that North had the diamond jack was evidence that South's suit must be at least seven long because a player is not warranted in figuring an A K Q x x x suit missing the jack as solid. Thus North actually could count South for a minimum of seven tricks in the diamond suit alone and these, with two spades, two hearts, and the club ace, would total twelve tricks. From North's point of view a queen in spades or hearts in South's hand would make thirteen tricks a laydown, and even slight distributional advantages would give South a beautiful play for all the tricks. North's calculations were sound as a bell, but unfortunately he did not reckon with the "human element."

West opened the spade queen.



Miss Phyllis Robins, the famous actress and B.B.C. star, in common with many other people, is finding a cycle useful for transport now the petrol rationing is in force. She is seen here cycling near Oxford. (Copyright, Fox).



St. Heller Estate, Morden and Carshalton, home of 40,000 working class families, has become the centre of an agricultural scheme in which its residents hope to make themselves self-supporting in vegetable produce. Under the supervision of members of the local horticultural society, estate dwellers are digging up front and back gardens and every available foot of land, and are to plant vegetables. In this picture, three old hands are seen comparing their crop of potatoes on an allotment at St. Heller estate. (Copyright, Fox).

dummy's ace won, and the diamond jack was led and overtaken. Three rounds of trumps were played in all, then a heart was led to the king, and the spade king was cashed. On this latter declarer made a horrible and fatal discard: he threw away one of his low hearts. He then cashed dummy's other heart honour and honestly ruffed a third round, obviously trying for a 3-3 break in the suit which would establish the seven spot. Considering that 3-3 breaks are against the percentages, it is not surprising that declarer's plan failed to work out. After running a few more trumps declarer desperately tried the club finesse and, when this failed, let out a long, piteous moan. "Did you ever see such breaks?" he asked, of no one in particular.

To South's surprise not even his own partner offered any sympathy. In fact, disgust fairly oozed from North. He pointed out acidly that South did not deserve breaks "the way he played."

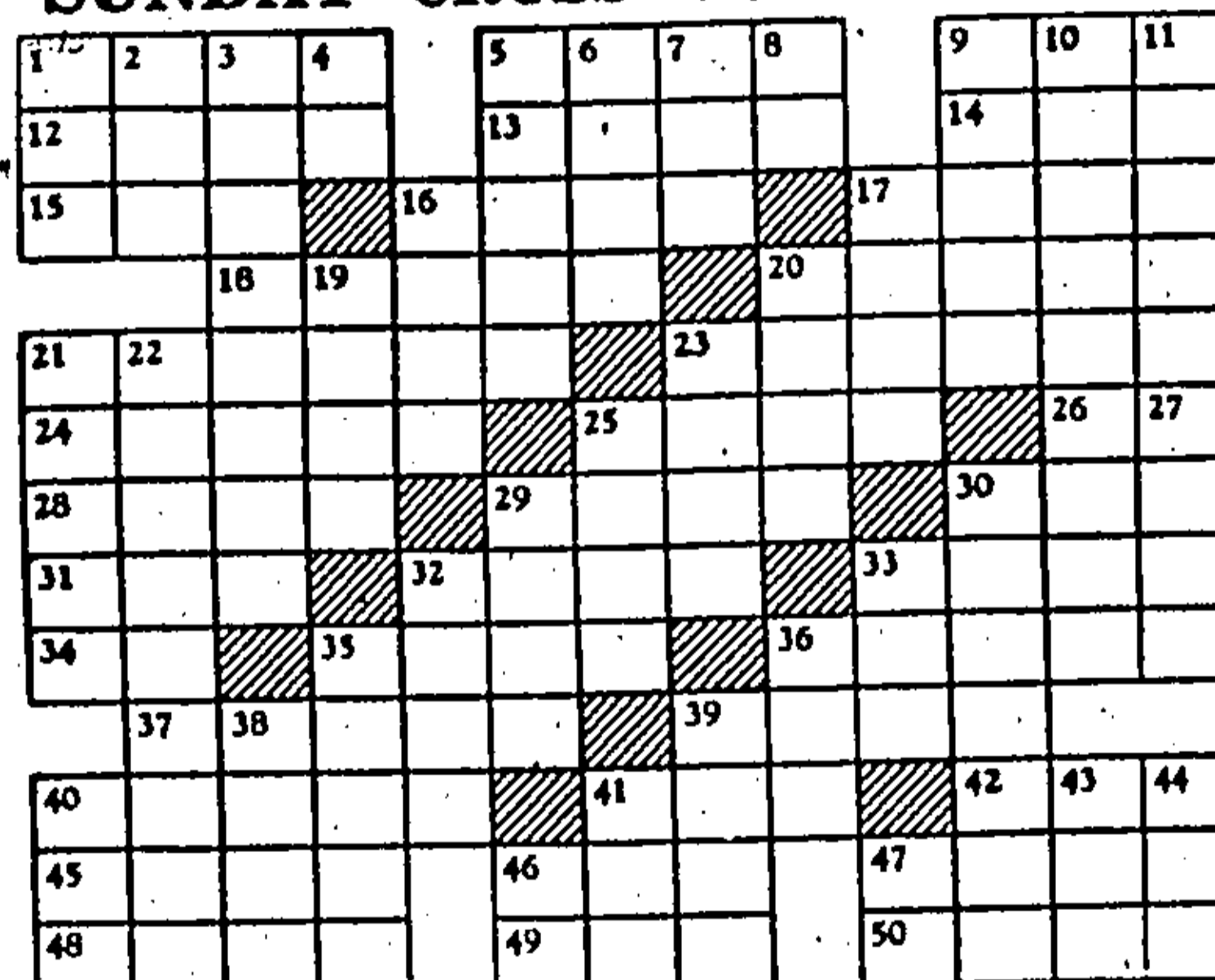
I am inclined to agree with North. South had taken by far the worst chance on the hand. For South's play to have succeeded one of two conditions was necessary. Either the hearts had to break 3-3 or, failing

that, the club finesse had to succeed. Grouping these two chances South had a 50 per cent chance on the club finesse, but only a little better than 33 per cent chance of a 3-3 heart break. Thus, he had a two to one chance for success.

Now let us consider what he could have worked on. The proper play was to cash the A-K of spades immediately, discarding a club, not a heart from the closed hand! Next South should cash the club ace, then ruff a club. He should lead to the diamond jack and ruff another club. He then should draw trumps, enter dummy with the heart king, and ruff a fourth round of clubs. Finally he would re-enter dummy with the heart ace and throw his losing heart on dummy's fifth club. This line of play would be absolutely sure to succeed if the club suit broke either 3-3 or 4-2.

Now for the figures: There are 84 chances in 100 that, when declarer misses only six cards in a suit, they will break either 3-3 or 4-2. Hence the club suit establishment plan had better than a five to one chance in its favour. Obviously, as between a two to one chance and a five to one chance, there is little excuse for the wrong choice.

## SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



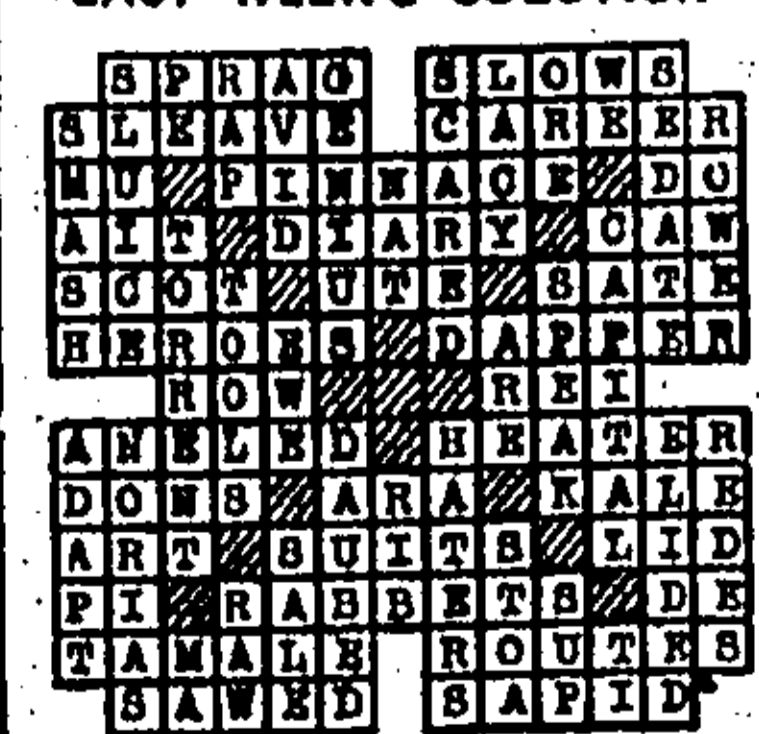
## HORIZONTAL

- 1 Appellation of Athena
- 5 Talon
- 9 Fruit seed
- 12 Topic
- 13 Solitary
- 14 S. American tribe
- 15 Asiatic tribe
- 16 Main part
- 17 Cleft fissure
- 18 Clearing in wood
- 20 Site for portrait
- 21 Slender stalks
- 23 Edible seaweed
- 24 Labourer
- 25 To travel
- 26 Teutonic deity
- 28 Coy
- 29 Grit
- 30 African antelope
- 31 Flat fish
- 32 Forest
- 33 Agreement
- 34 Spanish article
- 35 Statement
- 36 Bundles

## VERTICAL

- 1 Siamese coin
- 2 Meadow
- 3 Pressing need
- 4 By
- 5 Lumps of soil
- 6 Mine vein
- 7 Some
- 8 Pronoun
- 9 Balance
- 10 Deduction
- 11 Strokes
- 16 Hinders
- 17 To wander
- 19 Strip of wood
- 20 Panther
- 21 Extra
- 22 Latitude
- 23 To disembark
- 25 To sink
- 27 Wheel tracks
- 29 Single
- 30 Elevated floor
- 32 Sussex land measure
- 33 Equality
- 35 Lower
- 36 Biscuit
- 38 To alleviate
- 39 Argot
- 40 Doomed to death
- 41 Evergreen
- 43 Front
- 44 Before
- 46 Preposition
- 47 By

## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



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# THE WORLD—IN LIGHTER VEIN

**SALESMANSHIP**  
COHEN demonstrated Yiddish salesmanship to his son, Able. Lady Customer—Three dollars for this silk? Why I bought some last week for two dollars! Cohen—I know that, Lady, but the silk worms in the old country are dying out and the price of silk is going up. The lady bought the silk, and another customer came in to buy some tape. Able was a quick learner. When she complained at the price of the tape, Able replied: "I know that, Lady, but the tape worms in the old country are dying out, and the price of tape is going up."



"There's a gentleman outside who wants to see the film critic."—*Ric et Rac, Paris.*

**PUTTING DADDY WISE**  
DELICATELY, with tact and grace, mother enlarged on the matter until Phyllis learned that storks and pumpkins added nothing to the human species, and doctors carried nothing in bags more mysterious or beautiful than instruments. When she realised at last all that the story conveyed, she came a little closer to mother and whispered: "Have you told Daddy about it?"

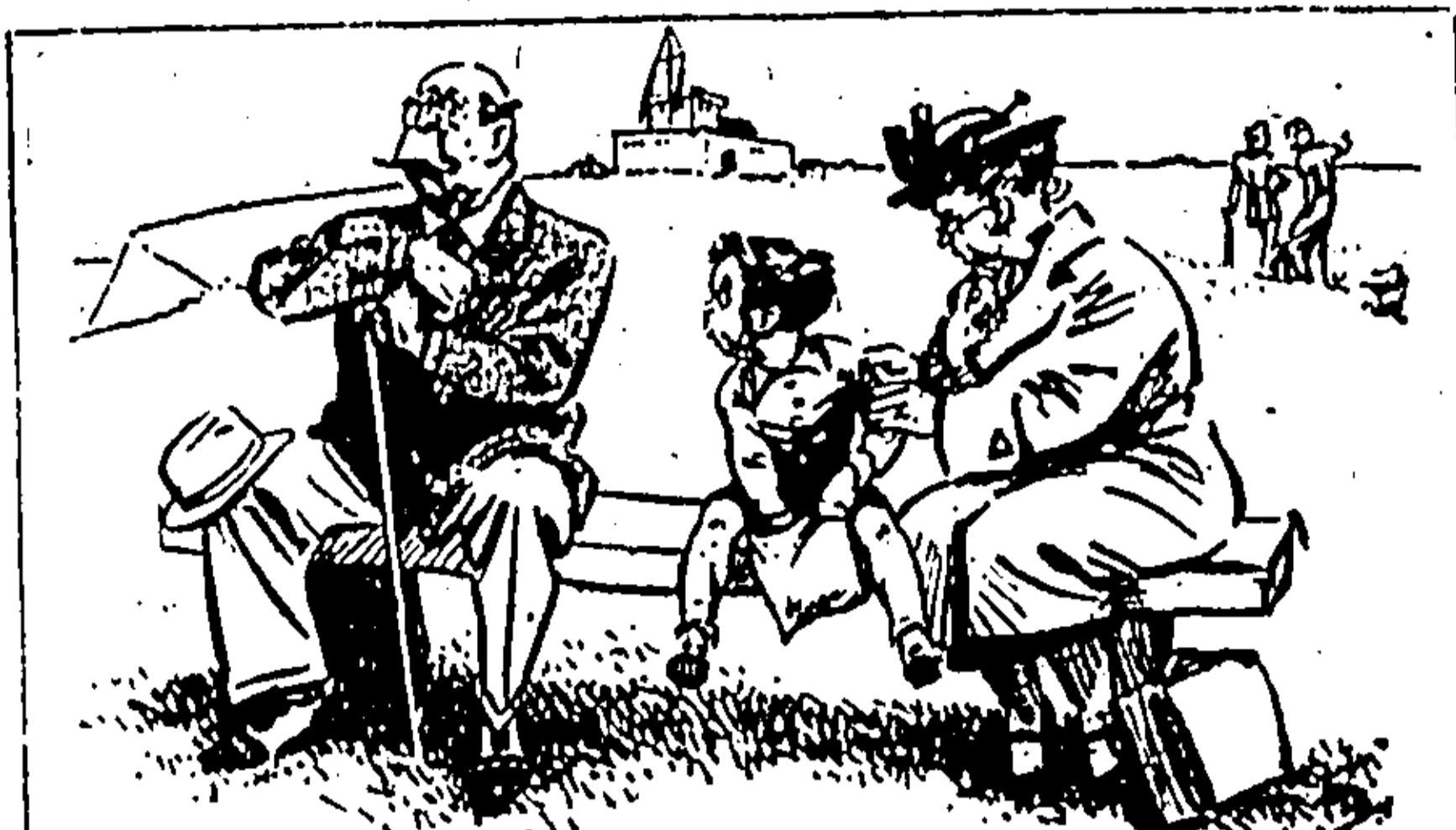
**MAYBE IT WAS**  
RASTUS: "See hynch, woman! Didn't I see yo, kissin' a no 'count piece o' trash last night?" Mandy: "Gwan, nigger. It was so dark ah thought it was yo." Rastus: "Well, maybe twas me. What time was dat?"

**AIN'T NATURE GRAND?**  
IT was at the baptism of little Baby O'Brien that Mrs. Henessey said: "Mrs. O'Brien, sure and what are ye going to call your little baby?" "Faith and I'm a-callin' him Jacob Abraham Nathan Isadore Isaac O'Brien." "Glory be! An' why in the world are ye giving him such names as that?" "B'gorra," replied Mrs. O'Brien, "if he doesn't git rich with thim names, I'll miss my guess."

**A LITTLE SCOTCH**  
"O, FADDER, it is our Ikev's birthday. Vat are you going to give him?" "O, that's right. Well tell him to be a good boy until dinner, den we will haf the windows cleaned and he can watch the trains go by." *Brevettes, Toronto, Canada.*

**WHO'S CALLING?**  
Mr. Brown was sitting down to breakfast one morning when he was astounded to see in the paper an announcement of his death. He rang up his friend, Smith. "Hello, Smith," he said, "have you seen the announcement of my death in the paper?" "Er—yes," replied Smith, "where are you talking from?"—*Parade, London.*

**A TIGHT SPOT**  
IT was a dance and J. P. McJugg, according to habit, had partaken rather heavily of liquid refreshments. About midnight he rose and muttered something about notifying his wife that he wouldn't be home that night. His friends watched him stagger uncertainly away, and the merriment went on. An hour later he had not rejoined them, and some of his cronies went in search of him. After hunting all over the hotel, some one happened to recall McJugg's errand. "Let's look in the telephone booth," he suggested. There they found McJugg, huddled in the corner of the cramped space, sound asleep. They woke him up. "By gosh, fellersh," he sighed with evident relief, "I'm glad to see you! I'd jusst about made up my mind you wasn't comin' to bail me out at all!"



"Don't sit there scowling, Cyril. Just ask the gentleman nicely if he's seen your stick of rock."—*The Humorist, London.*

**YOUR NAME PLEASE**  
Teacher: "Now, please, I want every boy to tell his first name. Number one, what is your first name?" First Boy: "Si." Teacher: "Oh, no, you should say, Silas. Number two, what is yours?" Second Boy: "Tom." Teacher: "You should say, Thomas. Number three, what is yours?" Third Boy: "Jackass." — *Let's Laugh, Springfield, Mass.*

**DIFFICULT TO TELL.**  
One summer afternoon, a little boy, nine years old, went with his mother to visit one of her friends who had two little daughters, one five years old, the other three. The little boy and his mother dropped in on this friend quite unexpectedly and as the day was very hot, the two little girls were allowed to play in the nude. Both mothers, being faddists, saw no reason to dress the children. Later, as the little boy was on his way home, he met a friend, a boy of his own age. His friend asked him where he had been, and he answered, "We've been visiting Mrs. Fairbanks." "Has she any children?" the other asked. "Yes, two." "Boys or girls?"

"I don't know," the first little boy replied. "They weren't wearing any clothes."

**HOWLERS**  
A spinster is a bachelor's wife. A wife of a duke is a ducky. A Yodel is part of an egg. The Tower of Babel was the place where Solomon kept his wives. A virgin forest is one where the hand of man has never set foot. A gargyle is something you swallow when you have a sore throat. A woman's brain weighs almost as much as the human brain. Persin gave us the diabolical system of mathematics.

Homicide is when a man kills himself in his own home. A shroin is the only article of clothing worn by Gandhi, the leader of India. He was arrested and held in custody until his trial. He died of a painful melody. A metaphor is a thing you shout through. Diabolic was a man who went around with a lantern searching for an honest person. In olden times the parents arranged the marriage and the bride never saw the groom until the wedding night. What has the government done to protect the Indians? Ans. Put them in reservoirs. —*From The Woman, New York, and from Medley, London.*



"—and who do you think you are, Charlie McCarthy?"—*Let's Laugh, Springfield, Mass.*



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## POTPOURRI

An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds and Ends Noted in the Months Reading.

In the middle of the last century London's Drury Lane Theatre presented a performance of Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra. In one scene Cleopatra hears the news of Marc Antony's defeat. She chokes the unfortunate messenger who brought the evil tidings, screams, weeps, storms, smashes things and tears the curtains. Finally she sinks exhausted on a cushion and sobs convulsively. Once an elderly woman in a box seat, watching this scene, turned to her companion and said: "How different from the family life of our good Queen Victoria!"  
Kölnische Illustrierte Zeitung, Cologne.

I was coming to the end of a fiscal year with a small deficit. Andrew Carnegie was due in Pittsburgh for a day and evening. Charles L. Taylor, old friend of Mr. Carnegie and at that time president of the Carnegie Hero Fund, said to me: "I'm seeing Mr. Carnegie this evening. Come along with me and tell your story, and perhaps we'll clear up the deficit."

The visit was a pleasant one. Mr. Carnegie listened to my story attentively. I reached the end. Mr. Carnegie then picked up the conversation. Turning to Mr. Taylor he said: "The deficit is very small."



A black footed baby Penguin is the first feathered baby to be born at the London Zoo since the outbreak of war. When this was taken, "Junior" was only three or four days old, and was being "looked over" by a proud father. (Copyright, Fox).

Deficits are sometimes better than balances, especially in work of this kind. They keep the members of managing boards hustling and, in that way, interested in the work. If I gave you this deficit, you would have nothing to do." We didn't get a penny. Mr. Carnegie was probably right.—WILLIAM H. MATTHEWS in "Adventures in Giving." (Dodd, Mead & Co.).

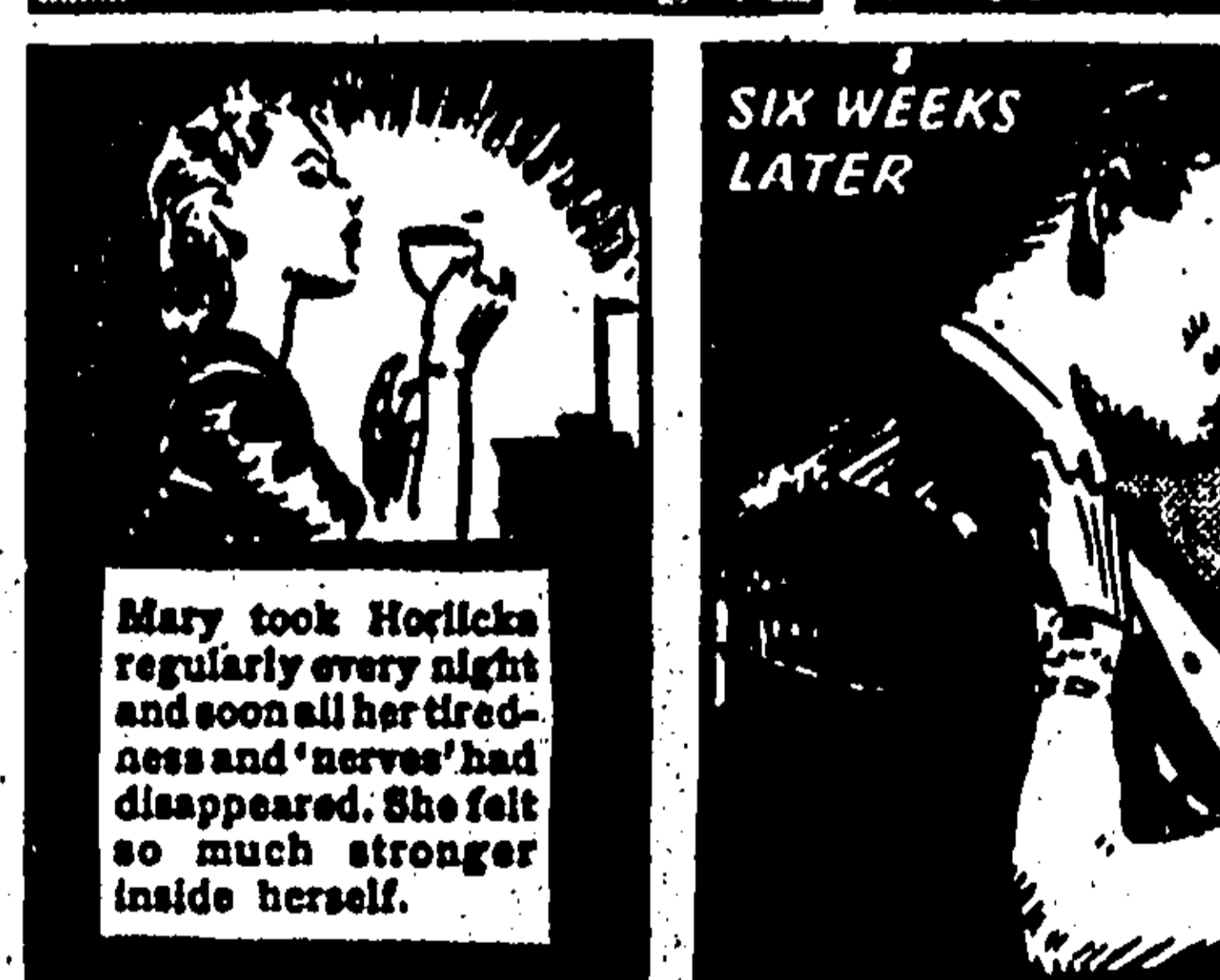
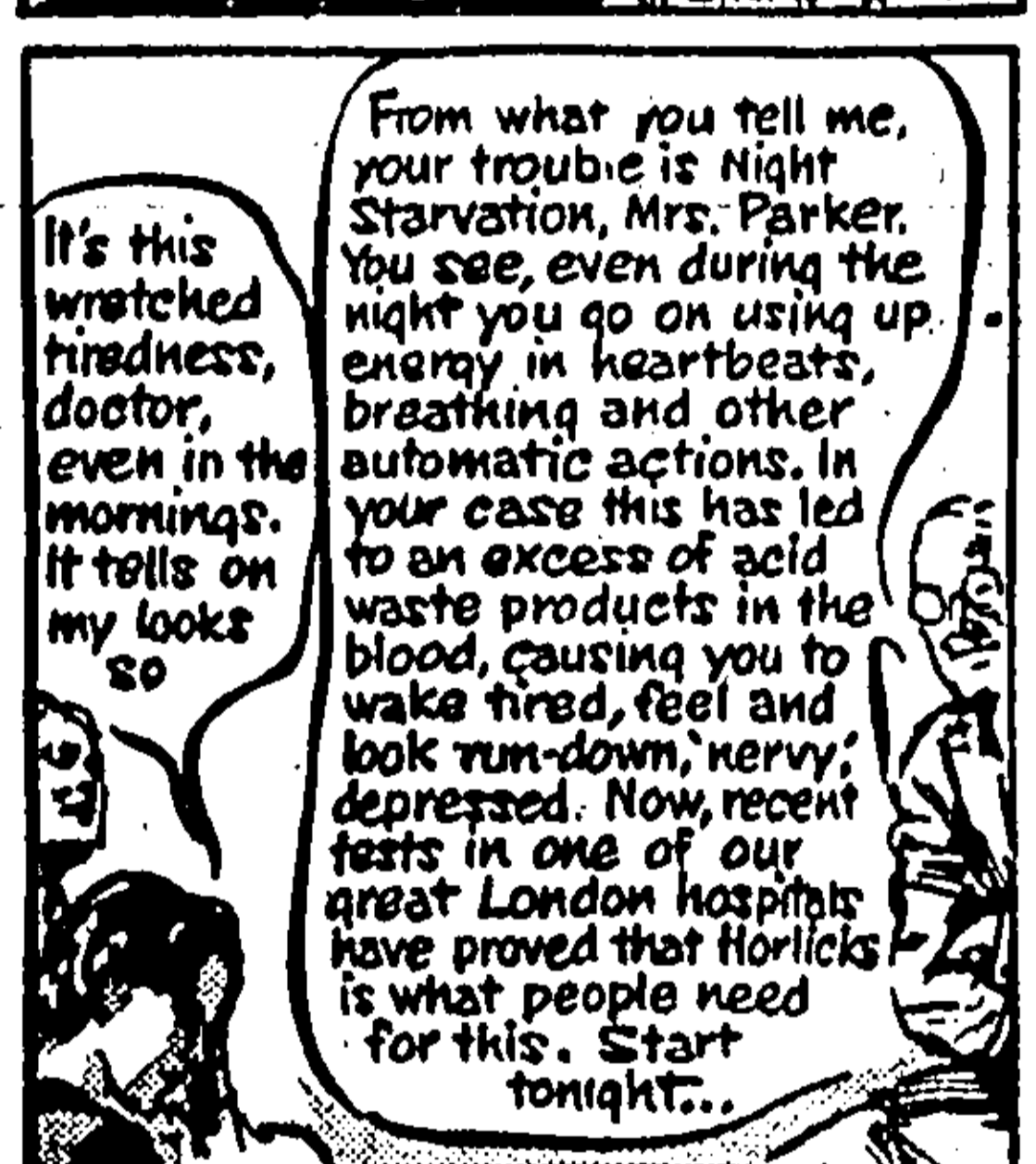
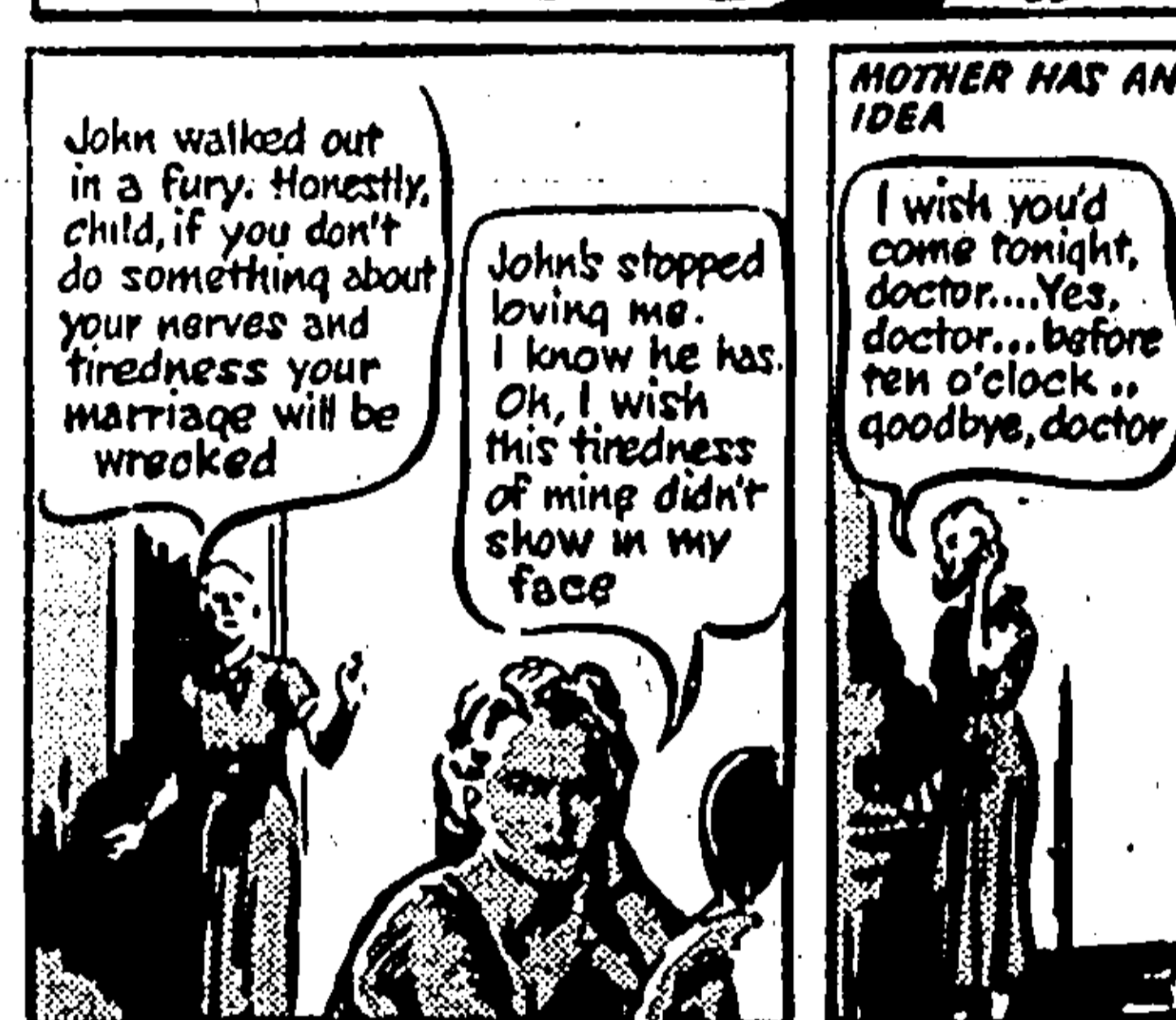
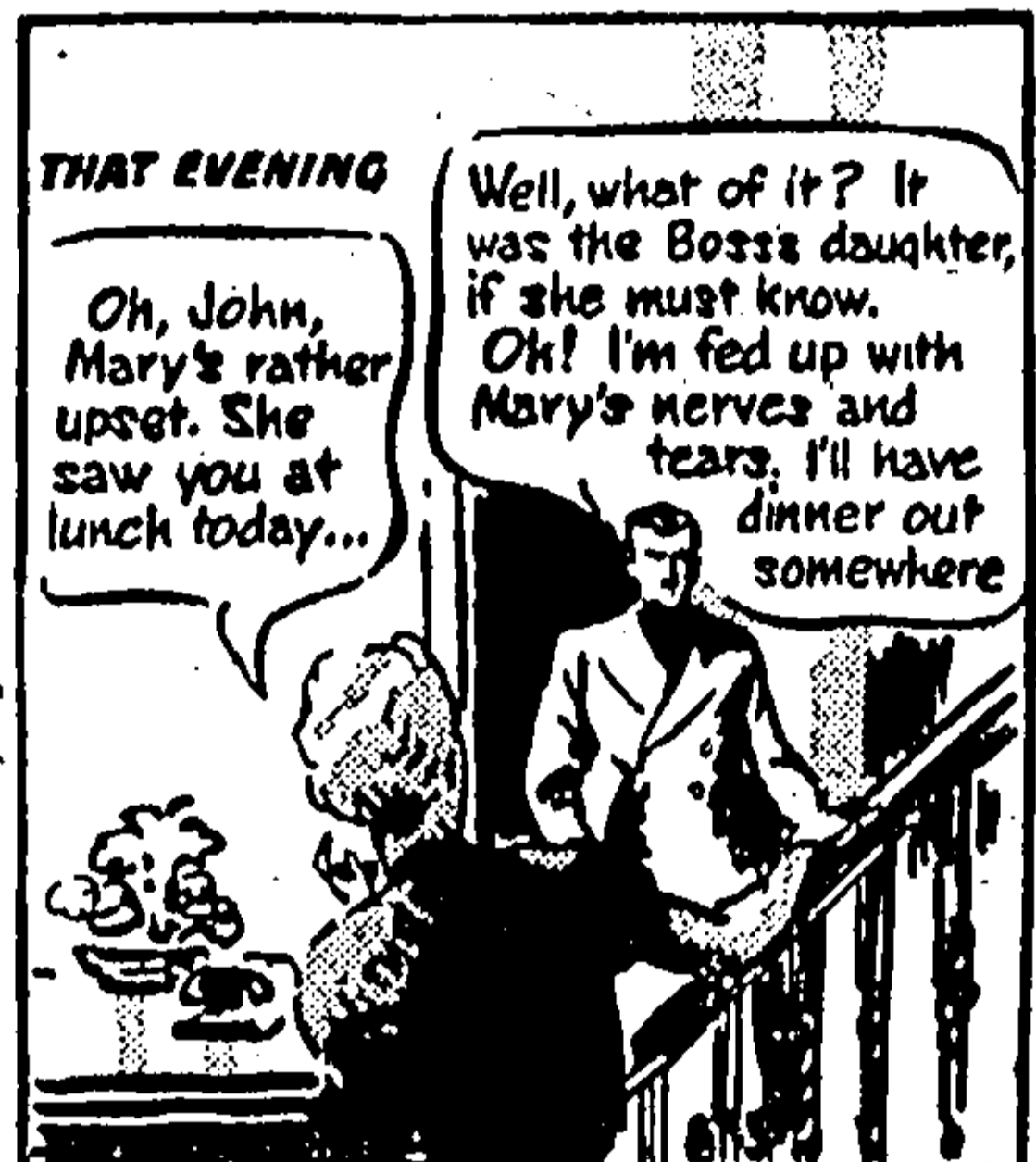
Out of seventy people who perished in the recent fire at Marseilles, France, only seven could be identified with any degree of certainty. All that remained of the victims after their bodies had been consumed by the flame were the gold fillings of their teeth. These fillings are so different in shape for each individual that a dentist, with the help of his records and his memory, can deduce from them the identity of their owners.

French authorities are now considering a measure which would enable police to find the victim's dentist with equal facility—by providing every gold filling with a distinguishing mark. The owner would not necessarily be aware of its presence. Conflagrations involving houses or buildings never attain the degree of heat-intensity necessary to melt gold.—Die Woche, Berlin.

## MOTHERS ARE OFTEN PEACEMAKERS



Mother and daughter are lunching together in town, when they see the daughter's husband in the same restaurant, but not alone...



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## GLIMPSES FROM THE "HOME FRONT"

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A well-known entertainer who has joined the Auxiliary Fire Service, has formed a Concert Party at his own station, and this photograph taken during rehearsals, shows a jolly trio complete with a "darky."



Miss Pam Barton, the famous woman golfer, is now an ambulance driver, and here is shown nearest the camera during stretcher-bearing training at her station in West London. She is being assisted by Miss Kathleen Garnham, Essex golf Champion and Belgium Open Champion.



A detachment of soldiers stationed in the Home Counties carry out part of their training on the grass verge at the side of a road in South-West London. They present a strange sight as they "double" down the road during gas mask drill.



London's Boy Scouts, 80,000 of them, are working day and night on war service. Trench digging, sandbag filling, A.R.P. work, canvassing for blood donors etc. are only a few of the many good deeds that they do these days. The lads have now exchanged their hat for the steel helmet and are ready to be sent anywhere whenever required. In this view they are seen taking the salute at Headquarters in London.



(Right)—Miss V. A. Milner and Mr. D. R. Squire, two members of the Auxiliary Fire Service, were married last month at St. Mary's Church, Kilburn, and other members of the A.F.S. formed a guard-of-honour. This photograph shows the bride and groom leaving the Church under an archway of hatchets. In place of the traditional bridal bouquet, the bride carried a lucky horseshoe.



These sturdy young members of the schoolboy's "Land Army" in Sussex, are marching off to shovel several acres of ground in preparation for the growing of vegetables. They are boys of St. Andrew's Elementary School, Worthing, who find this a very useful occupation whilst the afternoon school session is taken over for evacuating children.

# FOUR-DAY PRAGUE TERROR

*Astounding First Eye-Witness Story: The Student Rebellion*

## CANTON RIVER SHIPPING SCHEME

Canton, Yesterday.  
An agreement by which both British shipping on the Pearl River and Japanese shipping to Hong Kong will be increased was announced here yesterday by Mr. Kita, the Japanese Consul-General.

Mr. Kita declared: "With a view to facilitating the travelling of third-power nationals and the transportation of goods necessary for their communities, the British and Japanese authorities have reached an agreement by which British vessels navigating the Pearl River will be doubled, as will the number of Japanese Government chartered vessels calling at Hong Kong."

The agreement was initiated at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Mr. Kita and Mr. Stark Toller, the British Consul-General. — Reuter.



Taken somewhere in Buckinghamshire at a hospital where British soldiers, some of the first "casualties" are being looked after. Photo shows a game of cards in one of the wards. (Copyright, Fox).

## WAR FINANCE CAMPAIGN

London, Yesterday.  
During the first week of the war finance campaign, 5,500,000 savings certificates, representing a cash investment of £4,125,000, and defence bonds valued at £5,000,000, were sold.

The average weekly sales of certificates during the three months preceding the opening of the campaign were approximately £450,000, or one-twelfth of the sales for the first campaign week.

The number of national savings groups formed or in process of being formed during the week was

## SWEDEN LODGES PROTEST

Stockholm, Yesterday.  
The Swedish Minister in London has protested against the British Government's decision that German exports are liable to seizure.

He declared that Sweden considered the decision as not being based on international law. A similar protest has been presented by Sweden to the French Government. — Reuter.

1226. The total for the whole of last year was 1527. — British Wire- less.

## NAZIS USE LIGHT FIELD-GUNS IN NARROW STREETS

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

ZAGREB, JUGOSLAVIA, YESTERDAY.  
HERE, FROM THE LIPS OF A MAN WHO SAW IT ALL, IS THE FIRST GRAPHIC STORY OF PRAGUE'S FOUR DAYS OF TERROR.

It tells of German shells crashing on the homes of Czech workers, Nazis being kicked to death, singing crowds of women marching through a hail of bullets, Czech police refusing to fire on their countrymen, An attempt to assassinate President Hacha.

Fifty thousand arrests were made throughout Bohemia and Moravia. At least 130 students were executed. It was a foreign commercial attaché who has just left the stricken city who told the story of Prague's ordeal.

### Blockade

"Revolt had been simmering," he said, "ever since the killing of a Czech student during the Independence Day celebrations."

"The real fighting started with university students breaking up the lecture of one of the newly-imported Nazi professors when he insulted the Czech nation."

"He was pelted with books, and in a few minutes most of the students had joined in the uproar."

"The university building was blockaded against the Gestapo, who had received the alarm and arrived in three lorries."

"The rebel students were given until the afternoon to pull down the national flag and surrender."

### Armoured Cars

"They refused, and news of their action spread like wildfire through the city."

"Two armoured cars arrived and took up their stations in front of the building, pushing their way through the boiling crowds."

"A German officer and a member of the puppet Hacha Government made an appeal to the students to give in."

"A volley of tiles, laboratory equipment and busts of the Fuehrer sent them running for cover."

"I was standing so near that I could see the faces of the students at the shattered windows."

"Some of the boys must have had arms, but very few. They hadn't a chance. It was magnificent, but crazy."

"They tumbled down desks and cupboards on to their attackers, and then the machine-guns of the armoured cars spurted into action."

"It took the steel-helmeted Nazis two hours to take the building. The students fought from floor to floor."

"About 30 were killed and injured before they were overpowered and the flag torn down. Eighteen more students were identified by the Nazi professors as ringleaders and were shot on the spot."

"Their bodies were propped up against the bullet-pitted walls and left until the next day as a warning."

### Kicked To Death

"The armoured cars and lorries then had to be used to break up the angry crowds, who dragged down a Nazi motor-cyclist scout and kicked him to death."

"Demonstrations soon began all over the city."

"Despite a rigid curfew order, despite the bullets, singing crowds, headed by women and children in many instances, paraded the streets."

"As soon as the Gestapo broke up one group, another formed."

"The Czech police refused to act against the people and have been disarmed. Five police chiefs were shot in Prague alone."

"The next day a regiment of Austrians from Linz arrived and occupied the main positions in the city."

"We were told to remain in the consulate and we could hear shooting all around."

"When I tried to telephone to my secretary at Klado I was told there was trouble there and that the line was cut."

"Afterwards I heard that the people there had stormed the police station and burned it down. The Czech police did not even try to stop the people from taking their arms."

"In Prague, later in the day, the order of battle changed. The Czech police were now fighting the Germans, who were using light guns to shell the rebels from some of the narrow streets and working-class quarters of the capital."

### Nests Of Snipers

"It was impossible to go out into the streets. Snipers seemed to be everywhere."

"Military ambulances were clanging backwards and forwards to the crowded hospitals."

"The next day was devoted to mopping up the remaining barricades and nests of snipers."

"Children ignored the steel-helmeted police and dodged among the armoured cars picking up souvenirs, spent bullets and fragments of grenades."

"Nazis posted on street-corners ordered passers-by to walk with their hands in the air until they passed the patrol, which searched them."

"Those found with arms were packed into lorries and driven off to the emergency Gestapo centres where they just disappeared."

"I had to go to the Gestapo headquarters to get my pass to leave."

"In the yard beside the station, standing shivering in long rows, were hundreds of workers stripped to the waist."

"Grin-faced Nazis examined them for tell-tale bruises on their right shoulders. They mutely spread out their hands while the guards looked for the marks left by the kick of a rifle."

"Those who bore them were stood aside, their clothes and shirts were made into bundles and their names pinned on them."

"I don't know what happened to them."

"On Friday the only shots were those fired by a young workman at President Hacha, probably the most unpopular man in Prague to-day."

"Hacha was uninjured, but two of his Gestapo bodyguards were hit."

"The Germans are surrounded by a wall of hate."

"No one knows where the Czechs get their arms, as the Gestapo make house-to-house searches every few hours."

## CANADA'S PART IN AIR ADVANCE

Montreal, Yesterday.  
Lord Riversdale, head of the British delegation to the Empire Air Training Scheme in Canada, said that although Australian and New Zealand pilots would receive their final training in Canada, the ground crews would be almost exclusively Canadians.

He paid a tribute to Canada's great progress in aircraft production.

Canadians may form a special Fighter Squadron for Great Britain.

Most of the Sunderland flying boats ordered by Australia before the war have now been placed at Britain's disposal, complete with crews. — Reuter.

### AIR MINISTRY STATEMENT

London, Yesterday.  
The Air Ministry announces that the Royal Canadian Air Force will in due course play an active part in the air operations in Europe.

A new fighter squadron has been formed, manned by Canadian pilots, which will assist in the air defence of Britain.

A Royal Australian Air Force squadron will be ready for active service with the Coastal Command early in the New Year. — Reuter.

### SALE OF WORK

The Salvation Army's Home for Women and Girls and the Eborac Industrial Home for Blind Girls, Pocklington, will hold a Sale of Work to-morrow and Tuesday, December 4 and 5, between 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. at the International Women's Club, Gloucester Building, East Street.

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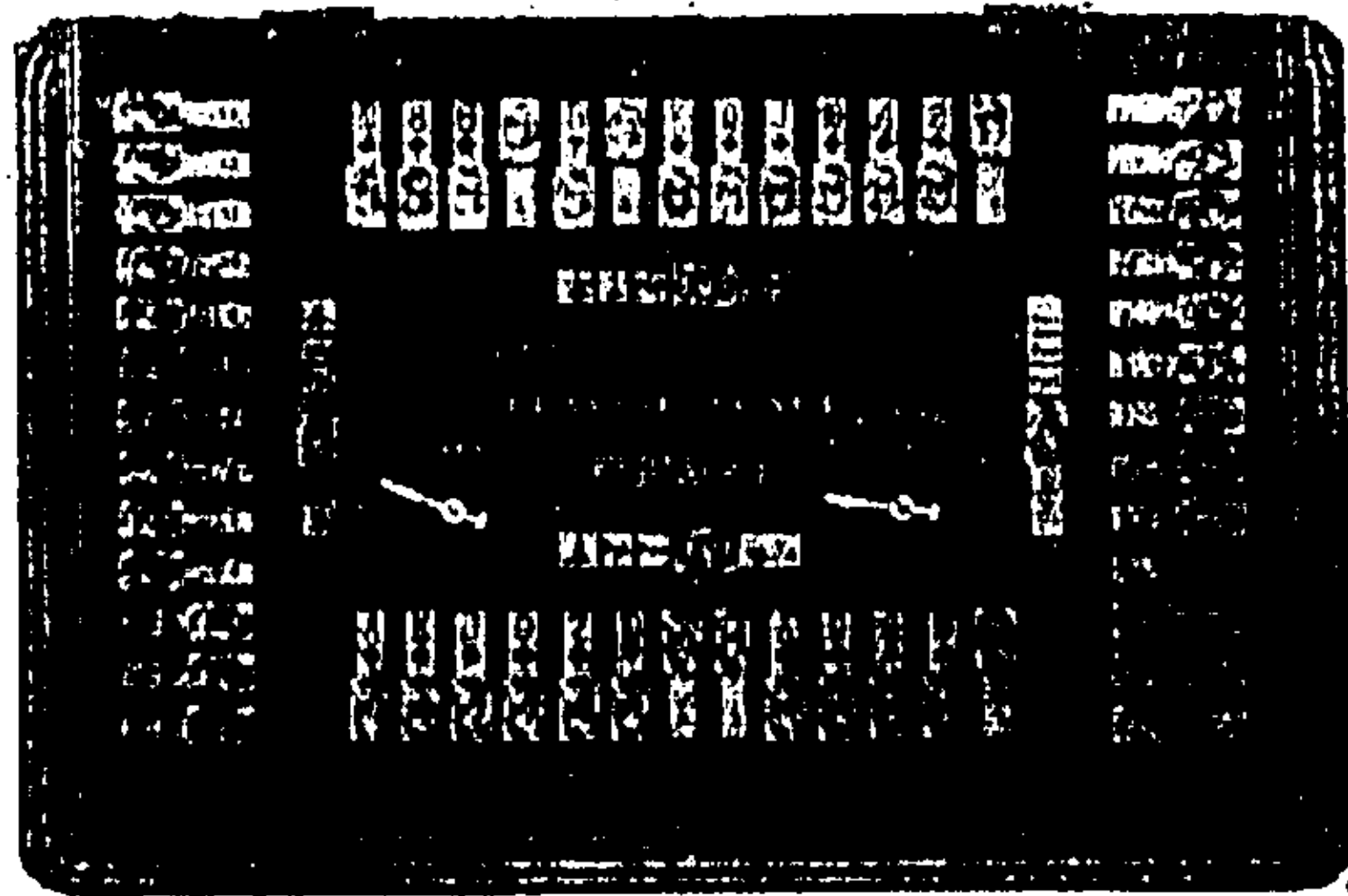
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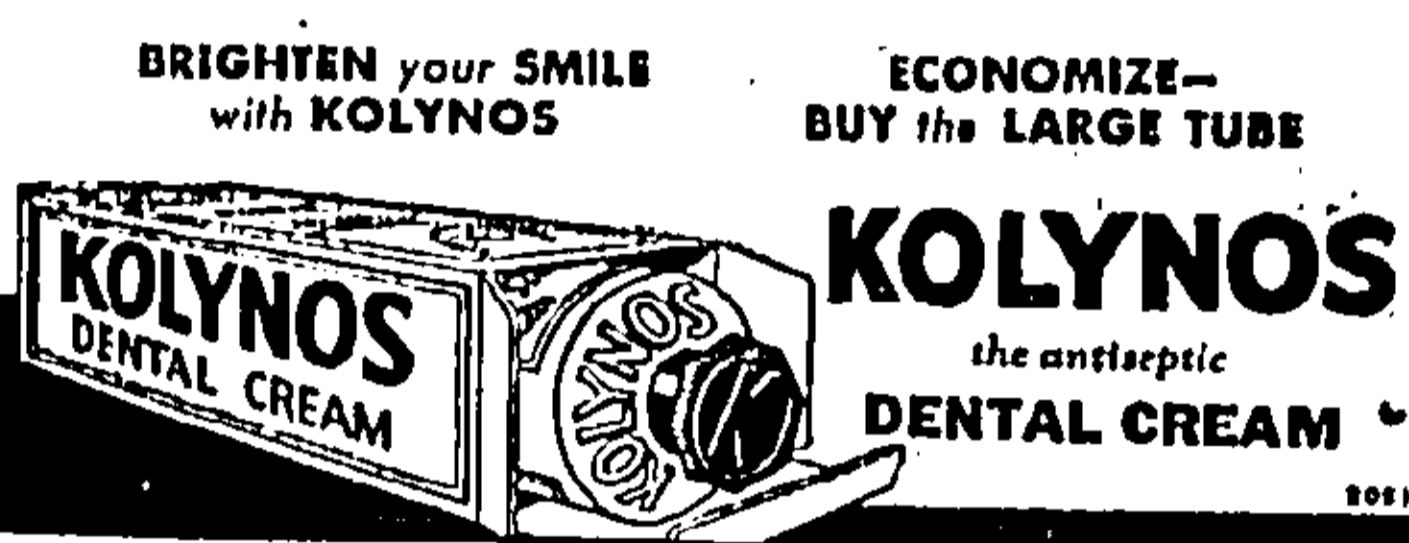
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# R.A.F. MAN'S LIFE IN ARCTIC "JAIL" May Have to Drink "Black Death" In Absence of Whisky

To cover the news of an R.A.F. pilot's internment "for the duration" the "Daily Express" sent a staff reporter on the 1,281-mile journey to Iceland. Here is his first despatch:

## LIFE ON A FARM FOR PILOT AND WIFE

Reykjavik (Iceland), Friday. People of Reykjavik, Iceland's capital, eagerly greeted the arrival of the R.A.F. pilot who is interning himself here for the rest of the war.

They were delighted he brought his wife, Iceland's Government has put them up at a farm in fine skiing and riding country and they are able to come into Reykjavik whenever they want to.

The airman's name has never been disclosed. All that Iceland—and the rest of the world—knows is that he brought his flying-boat down in a fog off a trading station on September 26, and, before a decision regarding its internment had come from the capital, flew away again.

**PARTIES**  
Iceland's Government were under the impression he had promised to wait. When they said so to our Air Ministry, the pilot, though he held a different view, at once volunteered to return.

But he has nothing to worry about. Even prisoners in jail here are allowed week-ends on parole, and may go to parties in the city. Herr Schmidt, an engineer who was taken ill and landed from a German submarine which called here two months ago, is interned in an hotel, where he has every comfort, and complete liberty.

Social life is gay in winter. In every other house lights burn into the early hours of morning; parties often go on right through the night.

Aquavita, and a spirit nicknamed Black Death, are drunk now, that supplies of whisky and brandy are running out.

The R.A.F. pilot and his wife find themselves among people resembling in clothes and features those in a London restaurant. Icelanders resent

the idea commonly held abroad that their country is inhabited by Eskimos. There are none here.

A young native, Siggi Thordarson, said that when he went to a party in London the people would not believe he came from Iceland, because he wore a dinner jacket. He set me twelve English words to spell which he knew correctly himself, I got two wrong—Inoculate and desecrate.

The R.A.F. pilot was met by a man of stupendous height in a long dark cape and a peaked hat. He is one of ninety Reykjavik policemen chosen for their size.

The hours of daylight here are short now, but the winter sports are wonderful when the snow comes. Membership of the Skiing Club costs about three-and-six.

**SINGING**  
People go out in crowds to a hut in the mountains where hot coffee is sold. They take sandwiches, and come home by bus in the evening, singing all the way.

In the evenings, there is dancing in the Hotel Borg to an excellent swing band; the band leader is an Englishman, Jack Quinlet, who came here six years ago. On many nights there is dancing till 3 a.m.

A cabaret of the journalists' ball last Friday included the telling of Icelandic ghost stories with all lights out, a virtuous booms-a-daisy duet, and a recitation of his poems by a fair young poet.

The Icelanders love poetry, music and painting, and read a tremendous (Continued at foot of next Col.)



FIRST PHOTOGRAPHS OF GERMAN OFFICER PRISONERS—These are the first photographs of German officer prisoners of war at a camp somewhere in the North of England. As the pictures show the men are well treated and spend much of their time reading, playing the piano, etc. They have nicknamed their home "U-boat Hotel." These two prisoners help cook for their fellow prisoners. (Copyright, Fox.)



Prisoners enjoying a lúno at Grimsdale Hall. (Copyright, Fox.)

## GERMANY LETS OUT ANOTHER NEUTRAL ANTI-NAZI STORY

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

Another neutral report on the Reich throwing an unfavourable light on internal conditions inside Germany was made to-day from Berlin, supplementing that published by the New York Herald Tribune.

Nazi censors have allowed the Berlin correspondent of the Copenhagen newspaper, "Berlingske Aftenavis," to telephone an account of the "rapidly growing impatience of the German people at Hitler's present policy of threatening vast military activity against Britain—and doing nothing."

The German people are worried, too, by signs of indecision and conflict among Hitler's powerful war-lords and Nazi Ministers.

For weeks the Germans have been told by Hitler, Ribbentrop and the Nazi Press that the "gigantic smashing air blow" against Britain will begin at once.

Nothing has happened, and Germans are trying to puzzle out Hitler's war of threats, and ask each other, "What are we waiting for?"

The Danish correspondent doubts whether the nerves of the German people can stand the strain of being continually whipped up to great expectations only to be repeatedly disappointed.

He expresses astonishment at Hitler's policy. As the latest pointer to these queer tactics, he cites the recent raid on the Shetland Islands. A Nazi Foreign Office spokes-

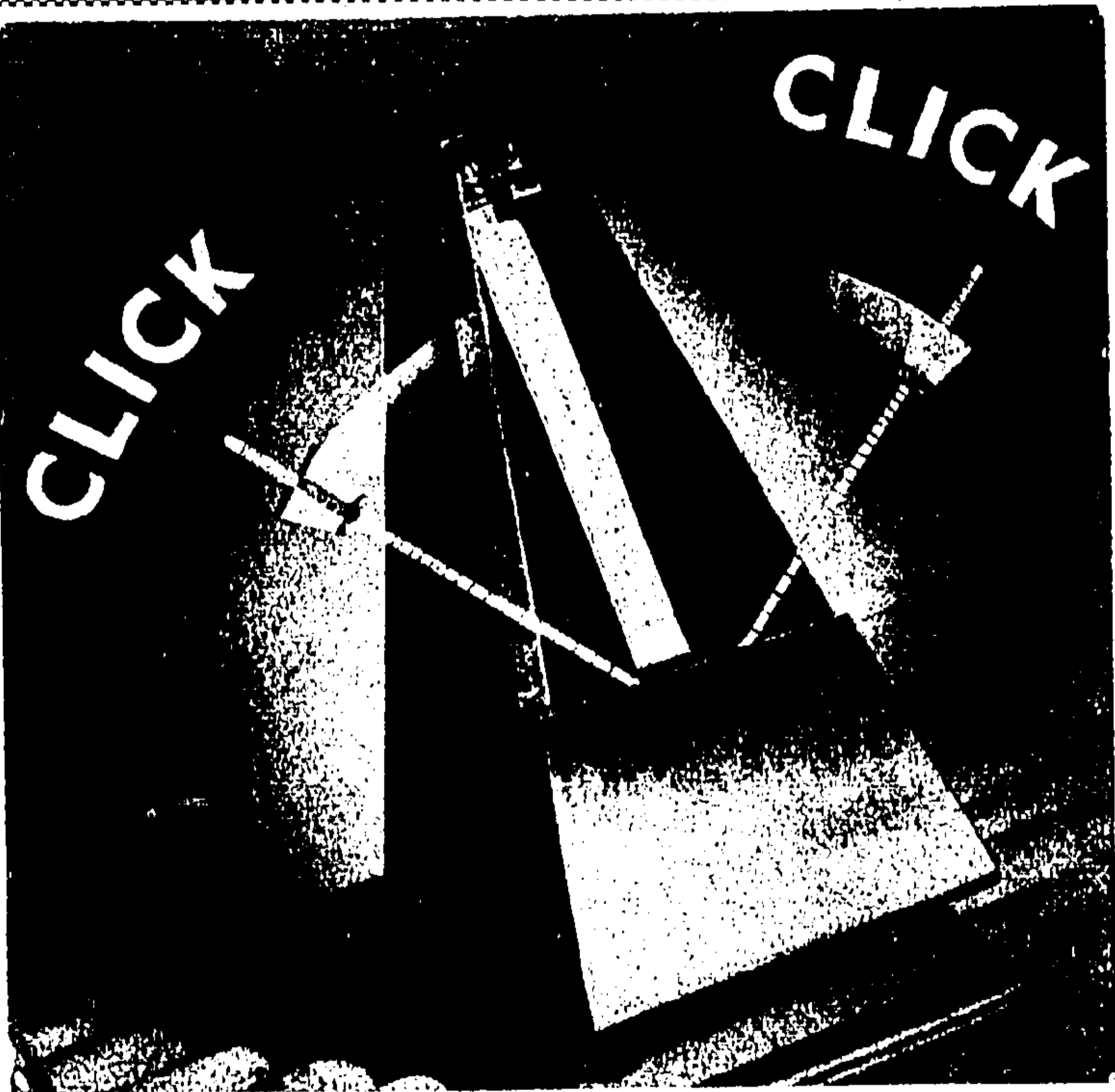
man told him that this marked a "new phase" in the war, that Germany's passivity had now ended.

He reported this to his newspaper. Next day all Nazi newspapers front-paged the report under scare headlines telling the Germans that now the war was "on," and the big air push had begun.

Again no action followed—only the old anti-British threats were warmed up once more. This is believed to be due to indecision about the next steps, not only among Hitler's lieutenants, but in Hitler's own mind.

Latest reports suggests that the internal situation of the Reich is boiling up towards some explosion. There is an uneasy atmosphere of expectation in the air. Nobody knows what is going to come, and what form it will take.

But most Germans, and nearly all foreigners in Berlin, are tipping a second purge on the lines of the Roehm purge of 1934.



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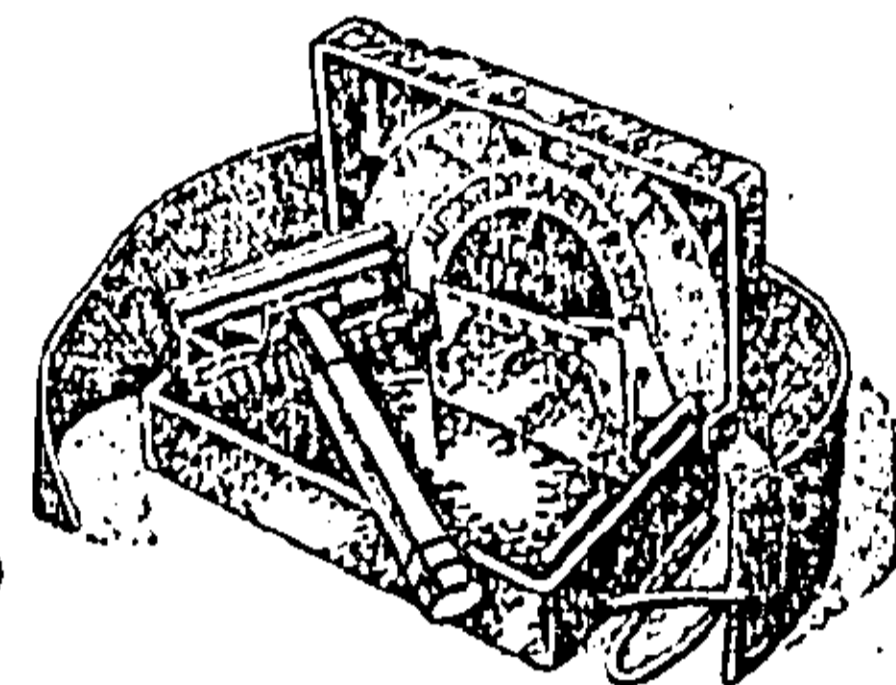
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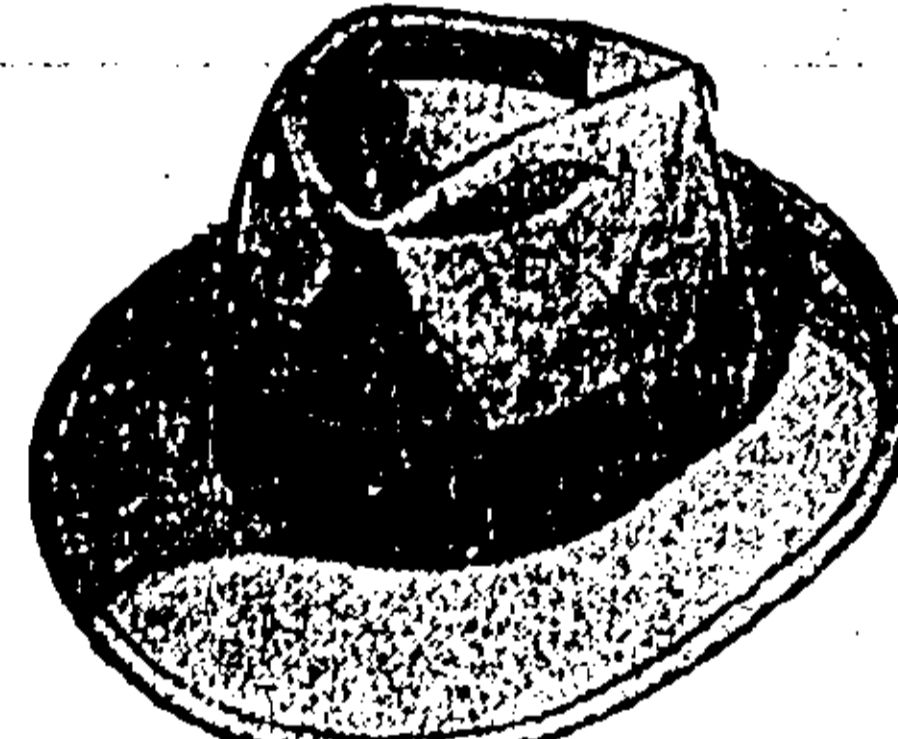
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## The Concrete Blockhead

THE attention of the Director of the Department for the Maintenance of the National Morale (Mr. Yaffle) has been drawn to the deplorable amount of grumbling that is going on behind the Home Front (No Hawkers or Circulars. Tradesmen's Entrance at Back).

This causes the big round tears to course one another down his (the D. of the D. for the M. of the N.M.'s) innocent nose in pitious chase. And he wishes to take this opportunity of reminding the British people that—

"We await a country when She sees the tears of bearded men."

In the hope, therefore, of inducing a more contented spirit, the Department has broadcast the following statement:—

(New readers may begin here).

The war has started in the wrong spirit. Complaints and criticisms are heard on all sides. Everywhere people are grumbling about the appointments of Ministers and the incompetence of Departments. I would ask the British people: "Is this Unity?"

How can we, thus riven by internal backbiting, hope to contest successfully against a foe which, to use Mussolini's definition of a Totalitarian State, is "Welded into one concrete, warlike block"—from, if I interpret the Signor's words aright, the neck up?

While this unvarnished freedom of speech continues, how can the nation become welded into one concrete blockhead? Is it not the first rule of war that a nation must act as one man and think as one mind?

The grumbling may be said to have begun with the complaint, against the Foreign Office for allowing Germany to nip in and pinch our Russian Pact.

Since then, one Department after another has been subjected to abuse. The climax was reached when Members of Parliament objected to the appointment of a man as Minister of Shipping on the trivial grounds that he knew nothing about shipping.

Let me remind these critics that we are fighting for Democracy, and that one of the first principles of democratic government is that the head of a State Department is not expected to do the job, nor to know anything about it. His sole function is to decorate it.

This being a Democracy, the first essential for the head of any official department is that he shall be, in practice at least, a gentleman. Therefore, the last thing we want him to do is work.

His qualification might, indeed, almost be summed up in the words of the poet:—

"As rich and purposeless as the rose,  
Thy simple task is to be beautiful."

However busy the staff of a Department may be, must at least have as its figurehead a man who, by

being paid to do nothing, stands before the world as a monument to the British ideal of gentility.

By this means we impart to each Department of State an atmosphere of dignified leisure and gentlemanly repose, and show the world that here at least, in an age devoted to sordid commercial competition, is one nation with a higher standard of conduct than that of mere vulgar efficiency.

For this reason, we always choose our Cabinet Ministers from the same small, select circle of men, whose fitness has been proved by long decades of service to the British Ideal. No one minds, and few can ever remember, which is in which at any



given moment. We only know that wherever he is, each is the Right Man in the Right Place.

True, there are exceptions that prove this rule. There is the case of Mr. Churchill, for instance, who, though First Lord of the Admiralty, actually has some definite ideas about the Navy.

The explanation is simple: It was easier to let him in, try and keep him out would have been too much like work.

This rule is observed with special strictness in the case of the Foreign Office. People who blamed that Department for not knowing what was going on in Russia do not know what the Foreign Office is really for.

The purpose of the Foreign Office is not to know things. Its purpose is to set other nations an example in manners and breeding.

For this reason, the diplomatic service is recruited from members of the leading families. It is a great concession for them to go to foreign countries at all. Only a sense of duty, and the belief that it is England's duty, as Milton said, to

teach other nations how to live, induces them to do so.

But having got there, such people cannot be expected to notice what is going on around them. They are our Best People, and as such, are trained from birth in not noticing their interiors.

There are cases on record of ambassadors being so aristocratically aloof from their surroundings that they lived in foreign countries for years without knowing which one they had been in.

I recall in particular the case of Lord Brasspan, British Ambassador to Magya-Croatia for five years. During that time the country had two revolutions and an abdication; but his lordship knew nothing about it. When, on his return, a friend asked him where he had been, he replied, "My dear fellow, how should I know? Ask my secretary, if I have one. All I do know is that the wife was terrible."

As to Russia, how can you expect an English diplomat to notice what goes on in a country like that, where there are no gentlemen left, and where the Head of the whole show goes about with his trousers tucked into his boots?

The same principle applies in Home Affairs. The more aloof from his surroundings the Head of a Department appears, and the less inquisitive regarding its activities, the better fitted for the post.

His aloofness is, indeed, assiduously encouraged by the working staff, who are always on the watch lest the Chief should grow restive and obstruct the smooth working of the Department by asking questions or making suggestions.

A common method of preventing this is to put a sleeping draught in his coffee before any important staff meeting, to ensure his remaining aloof throughout the proceedings.

The Best Heads of Departments are those who, if asked unexpectedly, can never say off-hand which post they fill. My old friend, stout-hearted, who was Bean Controller in the last war, spent the whole time under the impression that he was National Supervisor of Pig-Food. He was rewarded with a peerage.

As we go to press we learn that the appointment of Sir Wilbraham Bagcliffe to the post of Marmalade Controller has been rescinded on the discovery that he has been dead ten years.

## Next Armistice

THE other day we observed Armistice Day for the 21st time. Twenty-one years ago, on November 11th, 1918, slaughter ended. The guns died down. The fighting was over. And now, after what was described as a "war to end war," there is another world struggle.

Boys who were not born when hostilities ceased in 1918, are now militantly fighting in a new war. Their fathers—men who swore that they had finished forever with war—are in very many cases back in the fighting services. Britain is again organising herself for a mighty and final effort to destroy this evil which the world hoped, after four and a quarter years of war, had been trodden underfoot twenty-one years ago.

A new generation has grown up in our midst. Babes unborn in 1918 have now grown to man's stature, and are fighting the same fight over again, but with an even stronger case.

The last war was fought against an Imperialist Germany, intoxicated by dreams of world domination. The present war, with a more democratic Britain, and with a more powerful Labour Movement, is being fought against a ruthless despotism bent on imposing its will on mankind.

Many of us in the Labour Movement have been denounced for supporting this "imperial war." It is the world's greatest Imperialist war. But it is not of our creation. It has sprung from the mind of a dictator whose dreams and ambitions do not differ from those of the Kaiser a generation ago.

The one great difference is that the Kaiser was born in the purple. He was a descendant of an Imperial family. He was, in his view, born to be a world ruler. Adolf Hitler was to be a working class surrounded by more sincere pacifists than kings. He has made himself more powerful than over the Kaiser was; because he has, by sheer brutality and terrorism suppressed every de-

mocratic institution and all free expression of opinion.

Whatever may be said against the Kaiser, it remains true that in his day there was a Trade Union Movement in Germany, there was a Co-operative Movement, and there was a political Social Democratic Party. To-day these three expressions of a free working class do not exist in Germany. They have been completely destroyed by an Austrian workman, who to-day wields greater power than any German Emperor of the past. I hold no brief for the

By The Rt. Hon.  
ARTHUR  
GREENWOOD, M.P.

Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons.

Kaiser who, misunderstanding British mentality, thought that he could, in order to strike at the French, invade Belgium.

But at least this can be said of him, that however much he may have despised workers' organisations, he did not use his power to butcher them. Hitler's power to-day is due to the fact that he has mercilessly destroyed every manifestation of organised working class activity. This war could not have been launched on the world by any constitutional ruler in Germany. It was rendered possible only because of a ruthless despotism, with unbridled ambitions.

Of course this is an Imperialist war, but it is not due to Britain and France. It is waged by an Imperialist Germany.

There were many during the last Great War who were suspicious of its objects. To-day, whilst there are more sincere pacifists than kings in the last war, it is also true that numbers who opposed that war are to-day convinced of the righteousness of the Allied cause.

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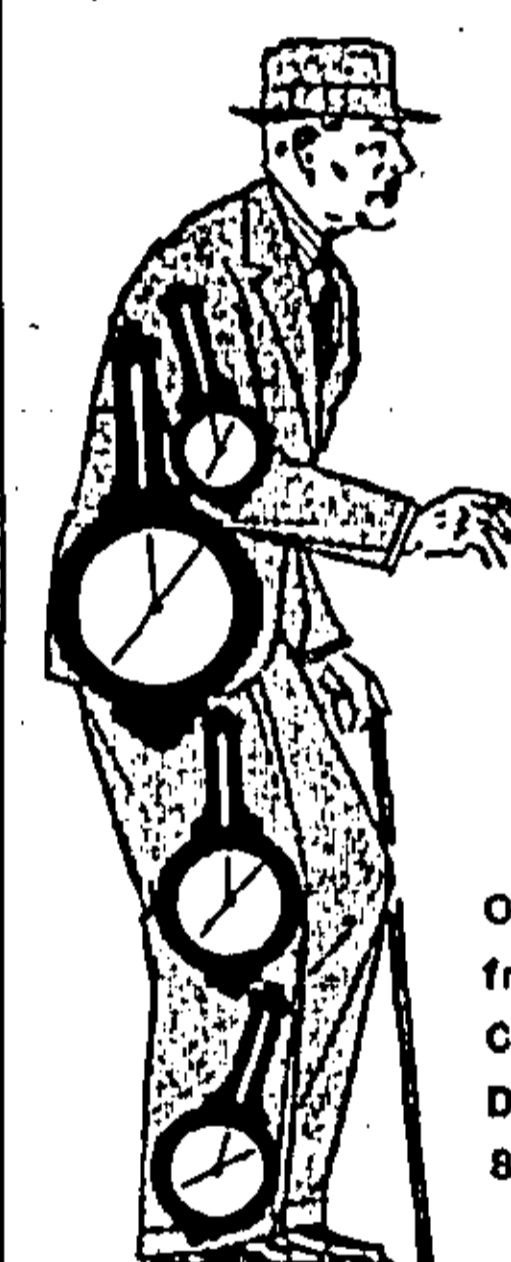
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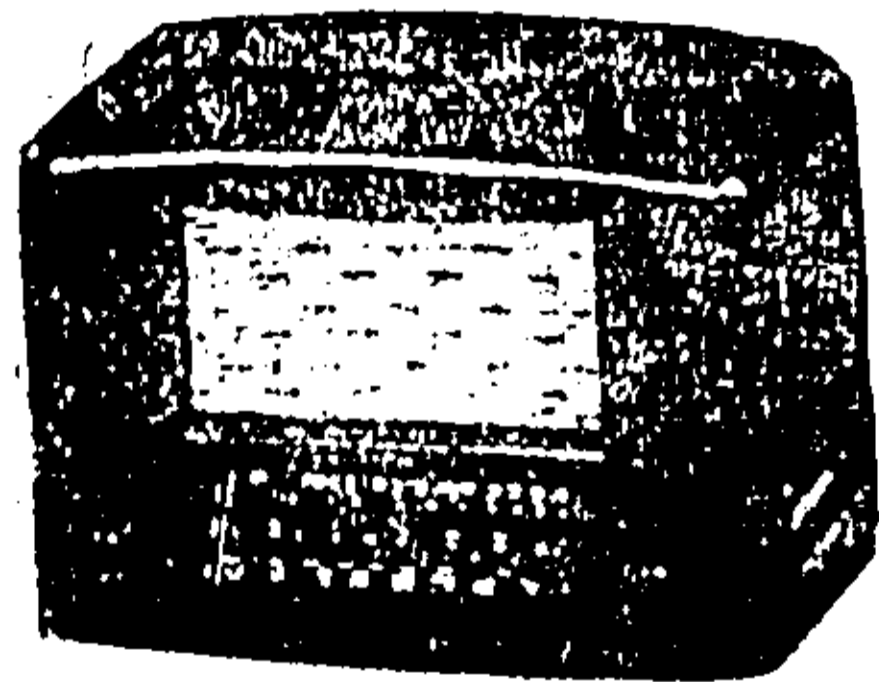
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## The Effort To Minimise Neutral Hardships

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London, Yesterday.  
A Royal Proclamation issued yesterday afternoon requires all British subjects who had reached 20 on December 1, 1939, but not reached 23, to register for service.

The registration date is December 9.

Procedure will be the same as for the other classes.

It is estimated that this means about 225,000 more men for the Services.

The new Proclamation extends the liability of service to men of 22 and also to those who since October 1 but before December 2 attained the age of 20.—British Wireless.

LORD HALIFAX GIVES  
A LUNCHEON

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The Foreign Secretary and Lady Halifax gave a luncheon yesterday in honour of the Chilean Ambassador and Madame Fenorel. Sir Samuel Hoare was also present. British Wireless.

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THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER "Economist," reviewing the British reprisals Order in Council and the French decree, comments on the effort being made to minimise neutral hardship or inconvenience.

"Goods seized will be requisitioned, detained or sold if the prize court is satisfied that their origin or ownership is German.

"If the court is not satisfied—the goods are openly and legally applied—goods will be released.

"If goods, though originally German, become neutral property before November 27, whether they be released or sold, the proceeds of their sale will forthwith be paid over to the owner.

"Goods ordered before November 27 may be similarly treated.

"Neutral owned goods of enemy origin may also be released if they are cleared from neutral ports before December 11.

CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN

"Neutrals will be encouraged to obtain from Allied consular officials certificates of neutral origin for goods they intend to ship—but is certificates stating that not less than three quarters of the value of goods is in respect of neutral labour and materials.

"These will expedite their passage through the Allied controls.

"There will be further relaxations of the embargo in cases of proved hardship to neutrals."

In the opinion of the "Economist" the scheme is very fairly if stringently drawn, and it adds: "It may not wholly mean a loss to neutrals for it means the end outside Europe of the Nazi methods of trade which make Germany's customers her dependents."

POSITIVE POLICY

"Still less will it mean a loss if it is accompanied by a positive export policy by the Allies."

On this point the "Economist" goes on to insist that blockading the enemy is only a form of economic warfare and urges that it is all-important for the British Government and British traders to see that terms of trade are in every possible case unfavourable to the enemy.

Elsewhere, referring to the success of the Allied contraband control, as shown by the seizure by the British control alone of 463,000 tons of goods destined for Germany, including 100,000 tons of petroleum products, the "Economist" observes: "These, and not the sporadic brutalities of the Nazis, are the signs of dominant sea-power."—British Wireless.

## TREASURY BILLS

London, Yesterday.

The total amount applied for in tenders for £65,000,000 Treasury Bills was £105,025,000.

Average rate per cent. for Bills at three months was 23/10.21 against 22/11.4d a week ago.—British Wireless.

London, Yesterday.

## TWENTY-FOUR HOUR DAY DUTIES ON BALLOON BARRAGE

London, Yesterday.  
A TALK ON THE WORK of those who maintain London's balloon barrages was given by a member of a unit over Daventry yesterday.

His balloon, he said, is quite near the Zoo. Shortly after the first air-raid warning the sirens sounded. This was apparently appreciated by the monkeys, for when the sirens stopped the monkeys took up the challenge and imitated them perfectly!

The men of the balloon barrage, he said, are on duty 24 hours a day. Unless they have to get up for a night raid, however, they generally count on rising at 6.30 a.m. At 7.45 a.m. there is general inspection and gas to replace any leakage is pumped into the balloon.

All balloons seem to be called "she." His particular balloon had been named

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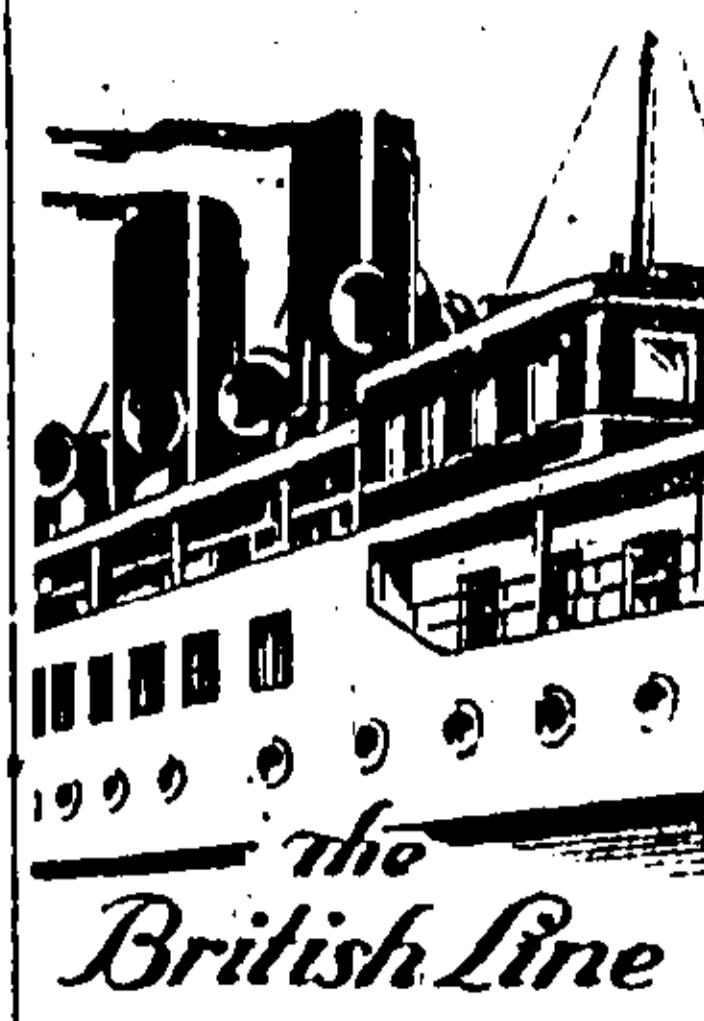
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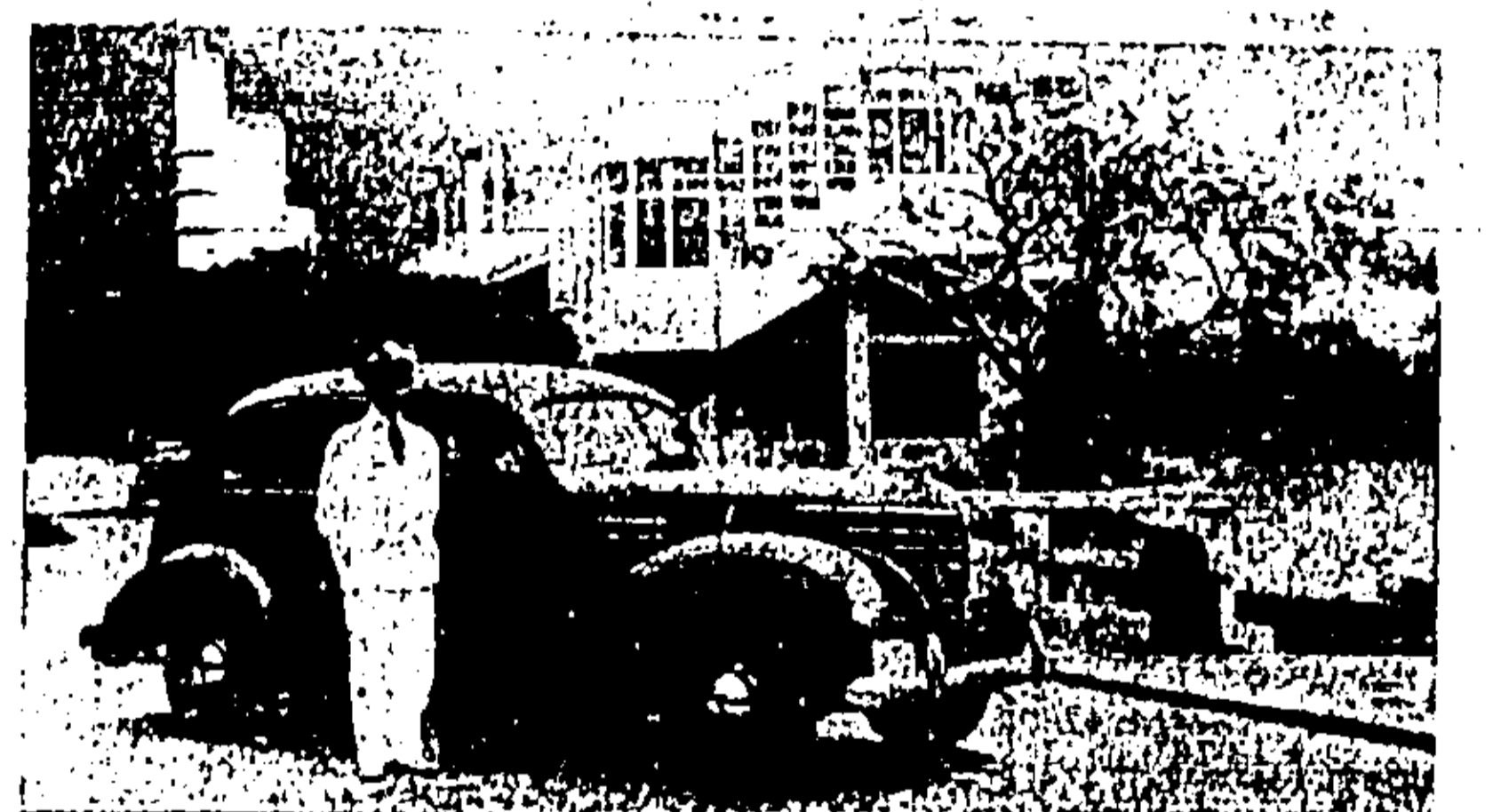
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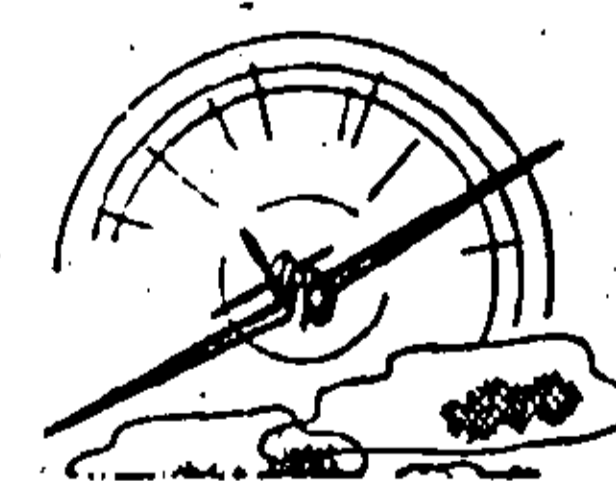
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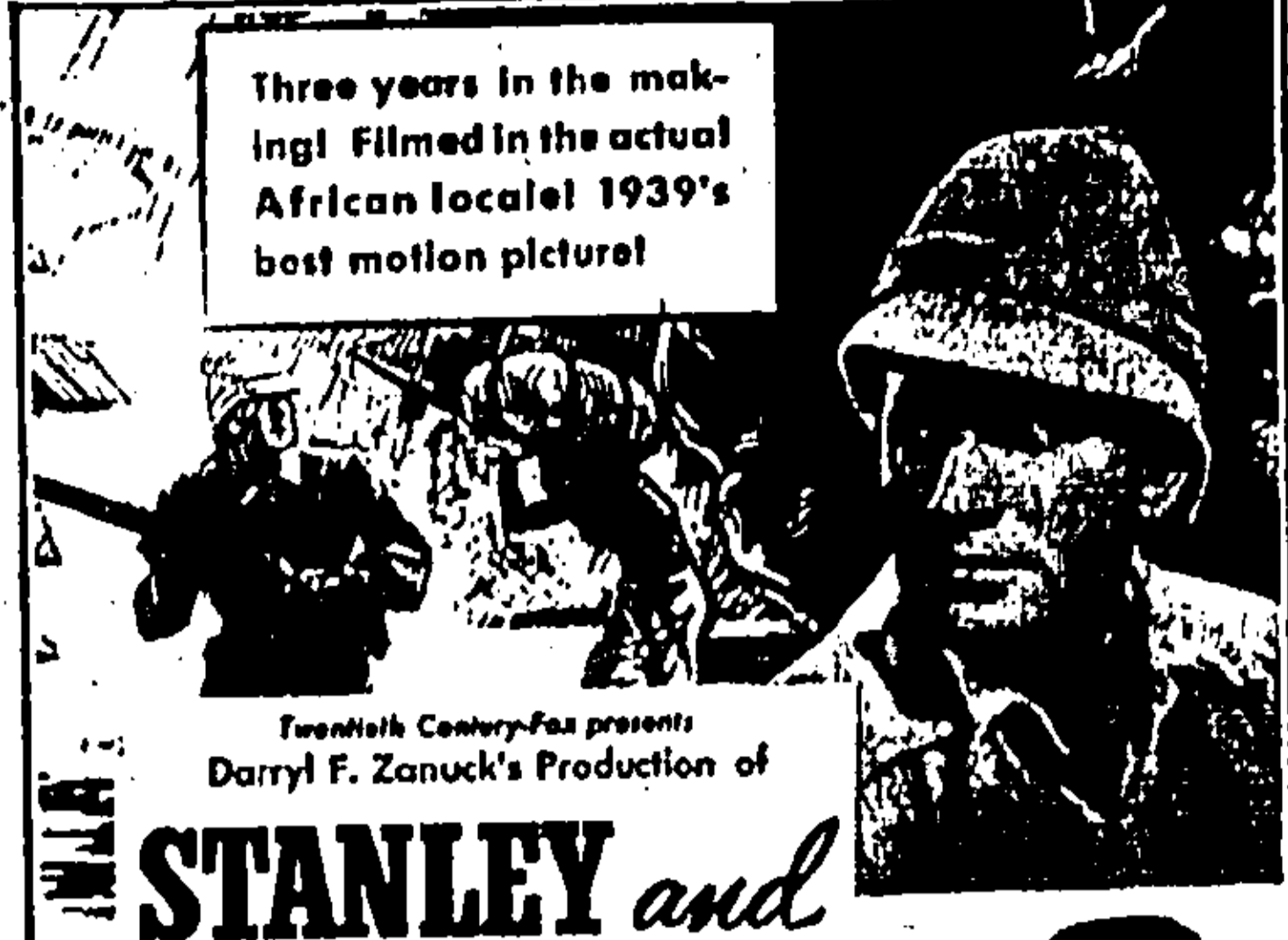




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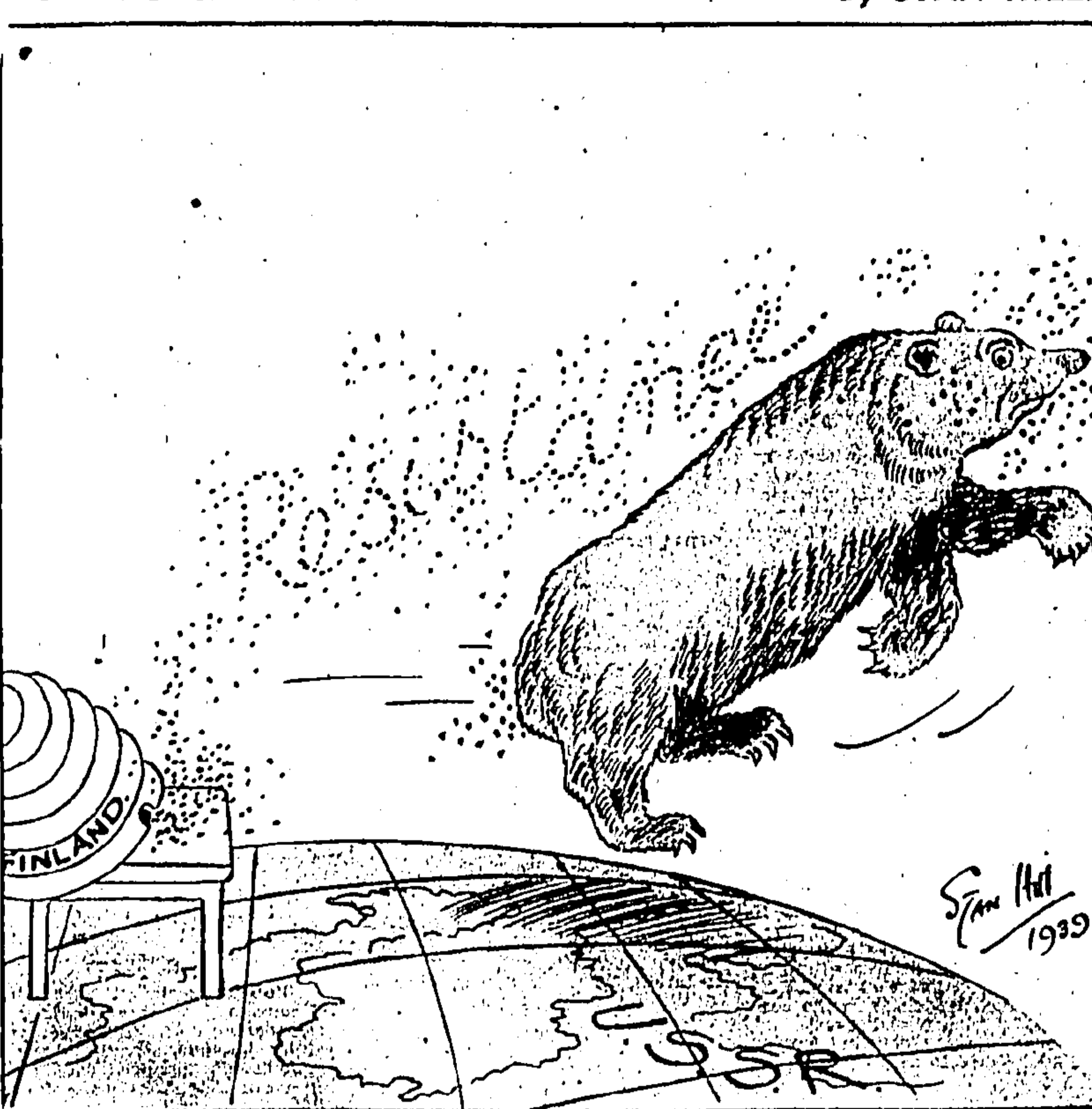


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12.40 p.m.—SONGS by Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano).  
Creation's Hymn (Beethoven, Op. 40, No. 4); Songs: My Mother Taught Me, Op. 55, No. 4 (Dover); When I Have Sung My Songs (Charles)... with Piano accompaniment by Edwin McArthur.  
12.49 p.m.—WAGNER—"The Flying Dutchman" Overture.

Bruno Walter conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—SELECTIONS from Light Opera.  
"Gelsin"—Selection (Jones); "Belle of New York"—Selection (Korner)... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. R. G. Evans.  
"Monsieur Beaucaire" (Messenger)—Red Rose; English Maids... Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Orchestra.

"The Three Waltzes" (Oscar Strauss after Johann Strauss)—C'est La Saison D'Amour... Yvonne Printemps (Soprano) with Orchestra; Te Souviens-tu... Yvonne Printemps & Pierre Fresnay with Orchestra.  
"Hawatha" (Coleridge-Taylor)—Onaway! Awake! Beloved... Tudor Davies (Tenor) with Orchestra.  
"Tales of Hoffman" (Offenbach)—The Legend of Klingsor... Tudor Davies (Tenor) with Orch.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—SONGS by Theodore Chailly (Bass).  
When The King Went Forth To War (Koenemann); How Goes It Prince? ("Prince Igor"—Lorodin); Song Of The Viking Guest ("Sadko"—Rimsky-Korsakov)... with Orchestral accompaniment.

1.58 p.m.—RACHMANINOFF—Concerto No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 30. Vladimir Horowitz (Piano) and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.  
2.30 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.  
7.00 p.m.—Half an hour of Dellus. Over The Hills and Far Away... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham.  
To The Queen Of My Heart; Love's Philosophy... Heddle Nash (Tenor) with Gerald Moore at the Piano.  
Sonata No. 2... Lionel Tertis (Violin) and George Reeves (Piano).

7.30 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—The News.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—SONGS by Richard Tauber (Tenor).  
Good Night, Oh! My Love! (Van Seyffert-Abt).  
Thine My Thoughts Are, Margarita (Helmund).  
I Know Of Two Bright Eyes (Clutson).  
Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Newton-Tate).  
8.15 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—"The Passing of the Third Floor Back" with Sir John Martin Harvey.  
8.45 p.m.—STUDIO—Talk on "Swiss Democracy".

9.05 p.m.—THREE SONGS by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).  
Sylvia (Oley Speaks).  
On The Road To Mandalay (Oley Speaks).  
I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray).  
9.15 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—News Summary.  
9.30 p.m.—Compositions of Offenbach.  
The Grand Duchess—Galop... Orchestre Raymonde.  
Gaité Parisienne—Ballet Music... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Erem Kuriz.  
Olympia's Aria—The Doll's Song (from "Tales of Hoffman")... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
"La Belle Helene"—Selection... Mark Weber & His Orchestra.  
10.00 p.m.—CESAR FRANK—Overture No. 3 in A Minor.  
Guy Weitz playing the Organ of Westminster Cathedral, London.  
10.15 p.m.—STUDIO—Sunday Evening Epilogue.  
Conducted by The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Hong Kong.  
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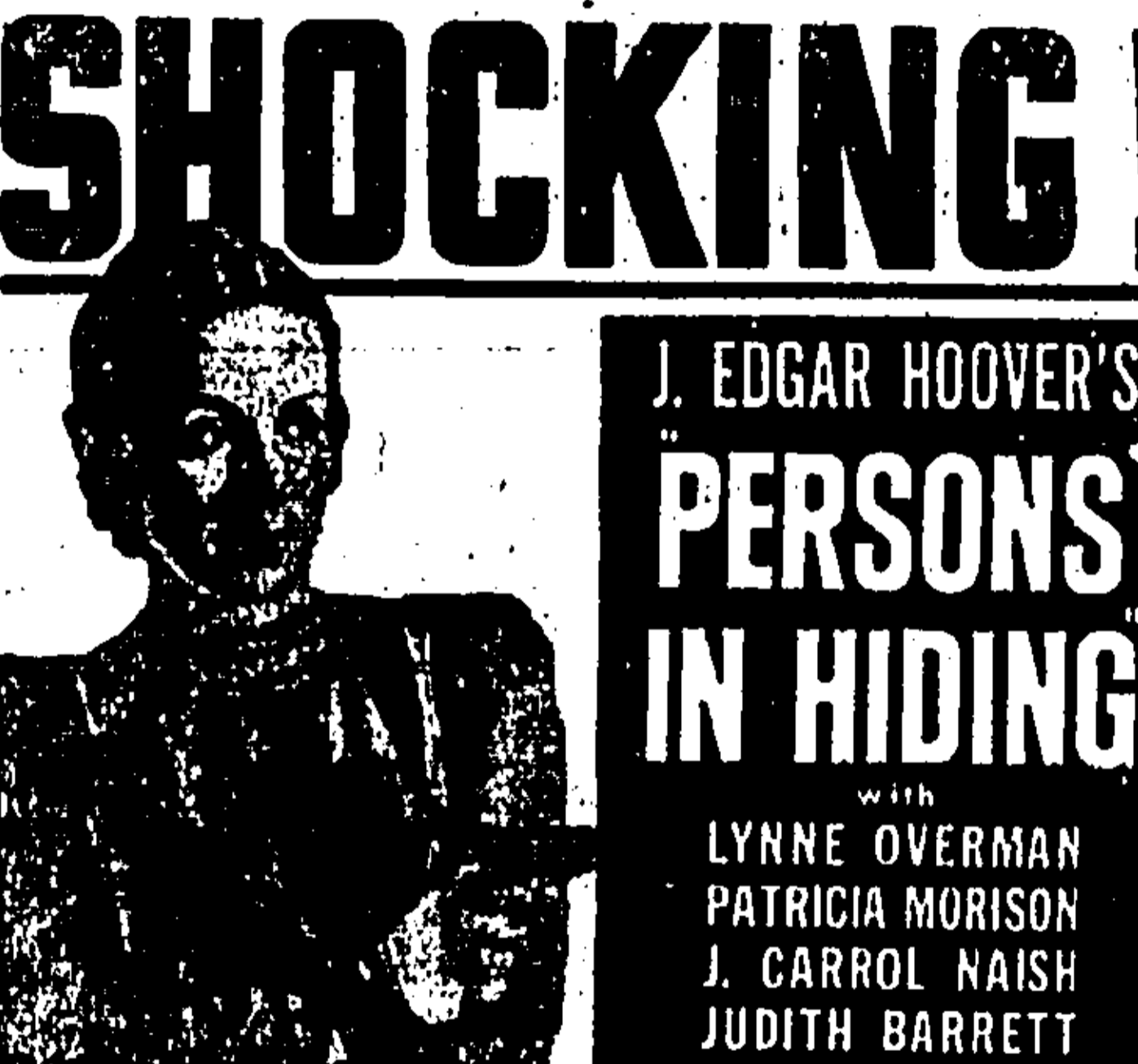
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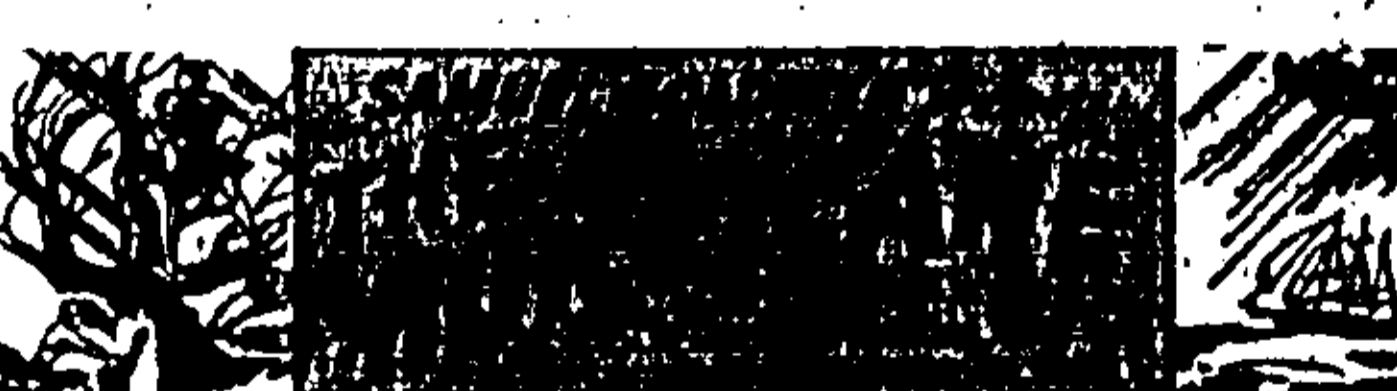
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# CLUB EXTEND LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

## KWONG WAH CHANGES HAVE DESIRED EFFECT: WIN CONVINCINGLY

TWO reorganised First Division League football teams faced one another at K.F.C., and two entirely different stories have to be told. Kowloon changes did not better their team, but Kwong Wah's readjustments, after taking effect in the first half, secured the desired effect and their win by 2 goals to 1 was a much more clear-cut one than the score would suggest.

Middlesex dropped another point when the Saints were fortunate to hold them, despite the fact they held a 2-0 interval lead.

Eastern and South China, Second Division leaders, won without being extended, but Kwong Wah disappointed badly against Police, who completely outplayed them.

International lost a valuable point against Royal Scots, who were flattered by such a decision, and Service Corps were well and truly beaten by 24th Heavy Battery.

## KOWLOON FARE POORLY

The drastic changes made in the Kowloon team did not seem to bear fruit and they went down to Kwong Wah by 2 goals to 1, which was a very favourable decision to Kowloon. Smith played well in goal for Kowloon, though he was a little shaky at times. The defence was very weak. Everett being uncertain in the right-back position, though Ulrich kept his end up well at left-back. The halves did not work well together. Dawes was the best in this division, on the right. Bliss, who played his first game this season, was slow and shifty. Eastman was poor on the left and was able to do little right throughout the game.

The forwards displayed the same ineptitude as the defence. There was little or no combination, their passing being weak and their kicking wild and uncertain.

It was a great mistake to play Williamson at centre-forward. He is out of place in this position and not fast enough. He should definitely be played in his natural position—centre-half.

The inside-forwards had no idea of how to feed Williamson with the ball and completely failed to anticipate his moves, and they were consequently very seldom in position when Williamson moved to attack. Knox played well on the right wing, an aid Bell on the left, and the latter scored Kowloon's only goal.

### NUMEROUS CHANGES

There were quite a few changes in the Kwong Wah team. Kwok Ping-tung played at right-back instead of

Chung Kai-lau; Yeung Tse-tsung was at right-half instead of Wong Wan-yay; Chung Kim-lai took Yeung Tse-tsung's place at centre and 'Lui' Xung-lai was in place of Cheuk Shek-kam, the latter playing at inside-left.

On the whole, Kwong Wah played better for the changes, though this was not so noticeable until the second half. Lee Kwok-kee did well between the sticks, the back division presented a staunch front, Chung Kim-lai was very good at centre-half and was well supported by Yeung Tse-tsung and Tse Kam-hung.

The forwards, however, played a very mediocre game. Their passing was quite good but they are still uncertain near goal. Lee Yan-leung was clearly the most outstanding player at forward and was fairly well supported by the rest of the forwards.

Kowloon were soon on the attack and their efforts were rewarded when Bell, outside-left, shot for goal. The ball hit the Kwong Wah left-back in the stomach and he went rolling into the net with the ball. About half way through the first half, however, Cheuk Shek-kam, Kwong Wah inside-left, was fouled inside the penalty area and Lee Yan-leung did not fail to score.

Only a few minutes after the interval Kwong Wah took the lead when Cheuk Shek-kam scored after Wong King-chung had centred.

KWONG WAH—Lee Kwok-kee, Kwok Ping-tung and Lee Kwok-wai; Yeung Tse-tsung, Chung Kim-lai and Tse Kam-hung; Tin Yung-fai, Lau Fook-chuen, Lee Yan-leung, Cheuk Shek-kam and Wong King-chung.

KOWLOON—Smith; Everett and Ulrich; Dawes, Bliss and Eastman; Knox, White, Williamson, Jackson and Bell.

## EASTERN DESERVE VICTORY

Eastern fully deserved their 3 goals to 1 victory over Kit Chee at Caroline Hill. Although not producing their best form in the first half, though they led 2-0 at the interval, they had matters very much their own way during the second period. Kit Chee defenders being no match for the swift Eastern forwards.

For the victory, Tai Bon-win was outstanding, his kicking being splendid and saving his side on many occasions. Of the half-backs Kwok Ying-kuen was the best and at forward all five played well. Cheng Ying-nai taking much honour. Kit Chee were well served by their 'keeper, Tang Yat-ming, and but for his splendid goalkeeping the score would have been much greater. Chan Kai-lai played a steady game and won the pick of the defence. The forwards were very poor at times, but after changing positions Kwong King-hung managed to revive their efforts, being supported by Wong Wing-chuen.

### SERVICE CORPS LOSE

On the Military ground, Happy Valley, 24th Bty. R.A.C. beat R.A.S.C. by 2 goals to nil after a goalless first half.

The Gunners were the better all-round team and thoroughly deserved their victory, even though both their goals should never have entered the net. R.A.S.C. were given many opportunities of scoring in both halves but inaccurate shooting and heavy first-time tackling on the part of the R.A. defenders foiled their efforts.

Twisdale was the mainstay of the Gunners' defence, while Hodgson and Taylor were sturdy defenders though their clearances seldom found their own men. The forwards were not as good as usual and off-side play was frequent. Marshall tried hard in the centre, but could make little headway against Fare.

Smart was easily the best of the Corps halves, although without the support of his inside man he could not cope with the Gunners' speedy left-winger. None of the forwards played well and open goals were missed by Martin, Walton and Logan.

### MATCH POSTPONED

The match between R.A.O.C. and 30th Heavy Battery was cancelled owing to the Ordinance not being able to field a side. This match will be played at a later date.

## Chinese Again Play Well Below Best Form

## ODELL COMES THROUGH HIS FIRST TEST WITH CREDIT: STRANGES & FORROW EXCEL

## LEE AND LEUNG ONLY CHINESE TO IMPRESS

GIVING a very much improved display, Club made quite a close affair of their First Division League Football game against South China "A" on the Club ground yesterday, losing only by the odd goal in three after a game that contained quite enough thrills to make it interesting to the spectator.

South China were once more without Lee Wai-tong and Lau Tau-man, and they did not produce anything like their best form. Had the Club forward line been as effective as their defence the champions would certainly have been beaten.

After many fine displays in the second eleven Odell has earned his place as custodian in the Club eleven and, although being somewhat shaky at the start and a little uncertain with his handling, he made several fine saves and should be persevered with.

Sid Strange, Ernie Strange and Ken Forrow played like heroes in the Club defence, Forrow being particularly outstanding in his strong tackling being a feature of the game.

The only weak link in the Club defence was McEwen, at right-half, who allowed Eam-Chung-sang far too much rope on the left-wing.

### WEAK ATTACK

The forward line told a different tale, however, only Fowler being at all effective, and with the little support he received from the other forwards he could accomplish nothing. Morrison and Bond were poor on the wings, neither being able to centre the ball accurately, and Lodge was the only forward other than Fowler to show a glimpse of ball control.

Lee, Tin-sang and Leung Wing-chui were the only two in the South China side to play up to form, Fung King-cheong being overshadowed by the brilliant display given by Forrow, who rarely gave him a chance. Tam Kwong-sun, on the right-wing, was fast and sent over one or two good centres but was generally selfish and hung on to the ball too long.

### CHINESE TWO UP

South China kicked off, facing the sun, and launched an attack which was easily repulsed by Club, who were the first to look dangerous, when Fowler had two shots, one just the wrong side of the post. Fung King-cheong followed suit with a shot outside for the Chinese.

After 20 minutes South China took the lead after Odell had saved by pushing the ball against the post, the ball dashing in and netting. In the next minute South China scored again, Lai Shui-wing putting the ball into the net from a very acute angle. Before half time, however, Club narrowed the arrears following a scrimmage in the Chinese goalmouth. Fowler shooting and the unsighted Tam Kwan-kon making no attempt to save.

After the interval South China were far the better side, and it looked as though they must score. Club, however, rallied and gave the Chinese goalkeeper many anxious periods, and during an attack on the Chinese goal towards the end of the game Tam Kwan-kon was forced to leave his charge and Fowler took his chance and shot, but Lee Tin-sang had fallen back and managed to prevent the ball going into the net. The referee ruled a goal, but after consultation with his linesman changed his decision and gave a bounce almost on the goal line which was cleared safely and the game ended with the Club somewhat unlucky losers.

Club—Odell; Bone, S. Strange, McEwen, Forrow, E. Strange, Bond, Scott, Fowler, Lodge, Morrison.

out. They were superior to their opponents, who failed to cope with their attacks, and they kept Lam Ching-fong well occupied with their constant shots at the goal.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

#### FIRST DIVISION

Club ..... 1 S. China "A" ..... 2  
Fowler, Lai Shui-wing, Lau Fook-chuen, Lee Yan-leung, Lee Ding-long, Pereira.

#### SECOND DIVISION "A"

Club ..... 0 South China ..... 3  
Chin Chi-fai, Chan Wan-sang, Chan Wan-lung.

#### SECOND DIVISION "B"

Kit Chee ..... 1 Eastern ..... 3  
Wong Wing-chuen, Wan Yok-ming, Wan Yok-ming.

#### THIRD DIVISION

R.A.S.C. ..... 0 24th Hvy. Bty. ..... 2  
Mason, Atkins.

#### LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

##### FIRST DIVISION

|              | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| S. China "A" | 8  | 7  | 1  | 0  | 32 | 11 | 15  |
| Kwong Wah    | 8  | 5  | 3  | 2  | 20 | 10 | 13  |
| Eastern      | 8  | 4  | 2  | 1  | 17 | 9  | 10  |
| Middlesex    | 8  | 3  | 2  | 3  | 12 | 13 | 7   |
| Kowloon      | 8  | 3  | 1  | 2  | 13 | 7  | 7   |
| Police       | 8  | 1  | 5  | 2  | 11 | 15 | 7   |
| S. China "B" | 8  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 15 | 14 | 6   |
| St. Joseph's | 7  | 2  | 2  | 3  | 14 | 20 | 6   |
| Royal Scots  | 7  | 3  | 3  | 1  | 17 | 6  | 6   |
| Royal Navy   | 7  | 2  | 1  | 4  | 17 | 25 | 5   |
| Club         | 7  | 0  | 7  | 6  | 26 | 0  | 0   |

##### SECOND DIVISION "A"

|                | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Eastern        | 9  | 5  | 1  | 2  | 25 | 9  | 16  |
| South China    | 8  | 7  | 0  | 2  | 28 | 7  | 14  |
| 30th H. Bty.   | 7  | 5  | 0  | 2  | 21 | 8  | 10  |
| 8th H. Regt.   | 6  | 3  | 3  | 1  | 17 | 14 | 6   |
| Kit Chee       | 8  | 2  | 1  | 5  | 18 | 26 | 5   |
| 5th A.A. Regt. | 8  | 2  | 0  | 6  | 12 | 26 | 4   |
| R.A.O.C.       | 1  | 0  | 1  | 6  | 11 | 21 | 3   |
| Club           | 6  | 0  | 0  | 6  | 25 | 0  | 0   |

##### SECOND DIVISION "B"

|             | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| R. E.       | 8  | 7  | 0  | 1  | 20 | 11 | 14  |
| Royal Scots | 8  | 5  | 2  | 1  | 22 | 9  | 12  |
| Kwong Wah   | 8  | 5  | 2  | 1  | 25 | 15 | 12  |
| Signals     | 8  | 4  | 2  | 2  | 18 | 16 | 10  |
| R.A.F.      | 9  | 4  | 1  | 4  | 21 | 18 | 9   |
| Police      | 8  | 2  | 1  | 5  | 18 | 21 | 5   |
| Kowloon     | 8  | 0  | 0  | 8  | 12 | 22 | 2   |
| University  | 8  | 0  | 0  | 8  | 6  | 35 | 0   |

##### THIRD DIVISION

|                | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| International  | 9  | 5  | 3  | 1  | 24 | 17 | 13  |
| South China    | 8  | 5  | 2  | 1  | 30 | 10 | 12  |
| Royal Scots    | 8  | 5  | 2  | 1  | 22 | 13 | 12  |
| R.A.S.C.       | 9  | 5  | 2  | 2  | 32 | 14 | 12  |
| 24th H. Bty.   | 9  | 4  | 2  | 3  | 27 | 10 | 10  |
| R.A.M.C.       | 9  | 5  | 0  | 4  | 22 | 25 | 10  |
| 12th H. Bty.   | 8  | 3  | 2  | 3  | 17 | 21 | 8   |
| Electric       | 7  | 2  | 2  | 3  | 20 | 23 | 6   |
| Kumaon Rifles  | 7  | 1  | 3  | 3  | 16 | 19 | 5   |
| 5th A.A. Regt. | 9  | 1  | 3  | 5  | 10 | 27 | 5   |
| Signals        | 9  | 0  | 2  | 7  | 15 | 31 | 4   |
| R. E.          | 8  | 0  | 3  | 5  | 14 | 27 | 3   |

## POINTS FOR POLICE

Police showed great improvement when they defeated Kwong Wah at Boundary Road by 3 goals to 2. Kwong Wah displayed sound football in the first half, but then appeared disheartened at their opponents' speedier attacks and superior play. The forward line was the mainstay of their team, and they worked untiringly from start to finish, but they required the support of their intermediate line and this they lacked.

Police played very well through-

## R.A.F. OUTPLAY KOWLOON

Royal Air Force defeated Kowloon by 4 goals to 2 after leading 2-0 at the interval in a very exciting match in which it was apparent that R.A.F. were infinitely the better team.

Lapsley played a good game in goal for Kowloon. The halves did not play very well, Hardwick being weak in the pivotal position and not being helped to any great extent by Harris and Soares. The forwards played well, though their combination was not all it should be. C. M. Santos was by far the best player of the five.

R.A.F. made several changes to the team which drew with Kwong Wah last week. V. Smith played at right-half instead of Culbert, the latter moving to right-wing. Berry was centre-half with Waddington playing instead of W. Smith at left-half. There was no marked improvement in the team for these changes, but they played a relatively good game throughout. Cash performed very well in goal

## MIDDLESEX FORWARDS FALTER

In a surprising match at Boundary Road, St. Joseph's managed to draw with Middlesex, sharing four goals, though the latter definitely should have had more goals to their credit.

It was rarely that the ball left St. Joseph's half of the field, as they were no match for their opponents, and the final result was by no means a fair reflection of the play. Middlesex played a very superior type of football throughout, but their inability to score in the first half was disappointing. Their sense of combination and method of attack were perfect. This, together with their accuracy and speed, completely bewildered their opponents.

St. Joseph's opened the scoring in the first five minutes, and were two goals in the lead in the first half, although there was some measure of doubt as to whether the scorer of the second goal was off-side.

Middlesex kept shooting at the goal from all angles, but were not able to score. After the interval, they quickly levelled the scores and appeared to have the game completely in hand. Their bad luck, however, persisted, and their excellent efforts did not bring goals.

Coomer received a slight injury to the knee, and was absent for a few minutes, but his leaving the field did no detrimental effect on the play.

### TSANG'S GREAT WORK

Tsang, in goal for St. Joseph's, was the outstanding player on the field and his excellent display was in no small measure responsible for keeping down the Middlesex score. Time and time again, he made what appeared to be impossible saves.

Leonard played an excellent game, and was kept well fed with the ball from the outside. He made great efforts to score, but often retained the ball too long when attempting to break through the Middlesex defence alone.

The great failing of the Middlesex was, in the majority of cases, their inaccuracy in shooting at goal from close range—their shots would either pass over the cross-bar or miss the uprights by inches. The number of opportunities presented for scoring were unlimited, but they appeared to lack the will to score and simply could not score the third goal.

### SAINTS SCORE EARLY

St. Joseph's started off with a fine attack on their opponents' right wing, and the swift combined play of Coomer and Leonard enabled them to become dangerous, the latter sending over a beautiful long range shot at the goal which struck the crossbar, and rebounded for Lee Bing-tong to head the ball into the net within the first five minutes. About 10 minutes before half time Tsang cleared the ball to Leonard, who made a perfect pass to Pereira, who, despite appeals for off-side, went through to score the Saints' second goal.

After the interval Tsang netted within two minutes following a pass from Thomas, the ball landing right on the former's toes when a few feet from goal. This was followed a few minutes later by a perfect pass from Coomer to Thomas, who deftly turned the ball into the goal.

MIDDLESEX—Drake; Cooper, Sheehan; Freshwater, Bright and Wilkinson; Cooper, Pearson, Tait, and Thomas.

ST. JOSEPH'S—Tsang; Chin; B-wen; Ribeiro, Hussain and Honnibal; Maher, Castillo, Leonard, Pereira and Lee.

## KUMAONS UNLUCKY

In the encounter between the Kumaons and 5th A.A. Regiment, R.A., the former lost unluckily by 2 goals to 1.

Kumaons had most of the play and only Mulligan, the Gunners' custodian, and the full-backs, Scullion and Saunders, kept them out.

At forward, the Gunners were best served by Finley and Berkley, who made the best of their opportunities, both scoring once.

Ram Singh the Kumaons' goalkeeper was not very confident and both goals that he let through could have been saved had he taken his time. The full-backs, Tarr and Farlap Singh, were very capable, particularly the former, who broke up many of the Gunners' moves.

Tomlinson, their pivot, kept Finley, the Gunners' centre-forward, well in check. The Kumaons' forward line were very scrappy in front of goal and lacked the initial thrust.

Partab was the star of the front-line, playing inside-left in the first-half and outside-left in the second.



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It was hardly light when the corporal came for them. The ground was misty and dim. The stones, in the half-light, seemed flat and without weight. Behind them the prison was silent, as if it too were waiting for death.

Somewhere inside a voice cried out wildly. It echoed strangely, sounding far off, and faded away, making the silence more quiet, the air more still.

Felipe raised his eyes and stared dully around him. There was something wrong. Although the corporal had the whole thirty of them outside, there seemed to be a delay no one understood.

They stood there, huddled together uncertainly, and quickly the light grew better, until in what seemed only an instant the rising plain, with the stiffly planted mountains beyond it, sprang into view. The mountains looked blue in the distance, with small clusters of trees lying at their feet. Hungrily Felipe looked at them. Behind them was his home.

An officer came from the prison, buttoning up his tunic. He was small and snail, but with a swagging smartness about him. His torn uniform was neatly made, tight in at the waist; his cap set at a rakish angle. He turned and faced the silent line of men, smiling with shut lips, his small, dark eyes very bright.

One of the buttons on his tunic was hanging only by a single thread, and



"All right! All right! All those who are alive get up!"

trembled as he moved. Felipe watched it fascinated. It seemed odd that the thread did not break. If the officer were to lift his arm—so! he would brush the button off like a fly.

"How many are there?" the officer said, shouting as if to keep up his courage. He did not look at the prisoners even for a moment.

The corporal saluted lazily. "Thirty," he said.

The officer scowled. "I'll use the new gun," he said, and called loudly over his shoulder. The loose button on his tunic swung and jerked madly as he fumbled with his belt.

The corporal looked puzzled. "The new gun?" he said.

The officer flushed angrily, and stared for a moment into the corporal's eyes. "Yes, the new gun," he said. "I'll use it myself. It will kill the whole thirty of them in a second or two. You will see."

Two men came out of the prison, carrying the new gun between them. In silence they set it up on its short tripod, opposite the line of prisoners. It seemed to stare at them, the dully shining new gun, and the man next to Felipe—no, not man, he was not yet twenty, no more than a boy, really—began to pray loud, crossing himself, muttering. The sweat was running down his face like water being squeezed out of a sponge.

The officer walked slowly across to the machine gun. His face was serious now, business-like, and he crouched behind the gun, running his hands over the shining barrel, adjusting the belt of cartridges. Then he looked up.

"About turn!" he shouted, and the line of men turned round raggedly and slowly.

"Ten paces forward!" the officer jerked out. And terrified, as if in a trance, the thirty men lurched over the rough ground.

Felipe stared straight ahead of him. The plain rolled away before his eyes, rocky and barren for miles. In the distance, in the foothills, he could see the white twin towers of a church. The world seemed wide and safe; being at war suddenly nothing, insignificant.

"Halt! Ten paces I said!" the officer shouted.

The line of men wavered and stopped.

Standing still, with hunched shoulders, Felipe felt death waiting behind him, felt the cold breath as the officer's fingers went to the trigger of the gun. His heart was beating loudly and quickly, as if it would burst. And for five long seconds he waited, sweating.

Then, shatteringly, the gun spoke. The hall of bullets swept along the line of prisoners; spat up dust and stones; tore through flesh and bone. Writhing grotesquely in their pain, the men fell to the ground in a wave.

The earth was damply cold to Felipe's body, the stones hard and sharp against his face. He lay flat, his chest pressing the ground, and over his body the shrieking bullets tore through the air.

Abruptly the roar of the gun ceased, and Felipe heard the scrape of the officer's boots against the stones as he got up. A few yards away a man was screaming, his voice almost impossibly shrill, then the officer's voice, raised in a shout.

"All right! All right! Get up! Get up! All those still alive will not

be hurt! Come on get up! Those men alive will be freed."

Felipe pressed himself harder against the ground, his eyes shut, a horse, hit in the rump with a bullet, reared madly among them with flying hooves. . . his father's white face. . . the soldiers closing in. . . but he would get away now. . . he would get away. . . first the prison. . . then the gun. . . then the officer. . .

"No, no, no. Keep still, make them keep still," he muttered. "O Holy Mother of God, make them keep still. It is a trick."

Close beside him there was scrambling of stones as a few of the men staggered to their feet. They turned towards the officer, calling feebly, and Felipe heard him laugh. The gun roared out again, bitterly.

"The fools," Felipe whispered. "The fools! The fools! It was a trick, and I knew, I knew! And they are dead."

Cautionously he opened his eyes. He could see with only one. It was funny. The other seemed not to be there, but there was no pain. Blood was trickling slowly across his face, and where before he had seen the plain, the mountains, the trees, the little church, his world was now small.

Three or four stones, a scratch in the dust where a bullet had passed, his own hands, and a foot. There was a rough, dusty boot on the foot, studded nails in the sole. It scraped feebly in the dust, as if in agony, as if it were a live thing. For a few seconds it would remain still, then twitch again.

Footsteps crunched towards him, and there were voices.

"There's one! Look!" It was the corporal's voice.

"Where? Where?" said another voice, the officers. He sounded excited, like a small boy who is hunting for birds' eggs or butterflies.

"Oh, let me lie still. . . He still. . . He still. . . Felipe stared at a stone lying just by his right eye. Two feet, heavily booted, stopped in front of him, almost filling his small world.

"You mean this one?" the officer's voice said, and Felipe's stomach contracted, a chill as of water on his spine.

"O, God," he prayed. "O, God, let it be quick!"

He stared dully at the officer's boots. They were old, split, and starved for polish. Through a crack in the leather he could see grey stockings. The third boot that of the man shot down next to him, lay still.

"You're right," the officers said. "Yes, you're right enough. This one's no more dead than I am."

There was a whistle as a stick swung violently through the air, and a third. The third boot twitched violently, turned over and writhed in the dust. It kicked sideways, just missing Felipe's face. Then there was a shot, a second's pause, and the boot kicked upwards and dropped back again.

Somewhere above him Felipe heard the officer laugh. "It was a good gun," his voice said. "Not many were missed, even the first time—and there are plenty to come, plenty."

The feet crunched away, and Felipe was alone.

The sun came up. He seemed to have stopped being himself any longer. The sun was hot, burning, shivering hot, making his body wet, drawing the dampness out of the ground through his bones.



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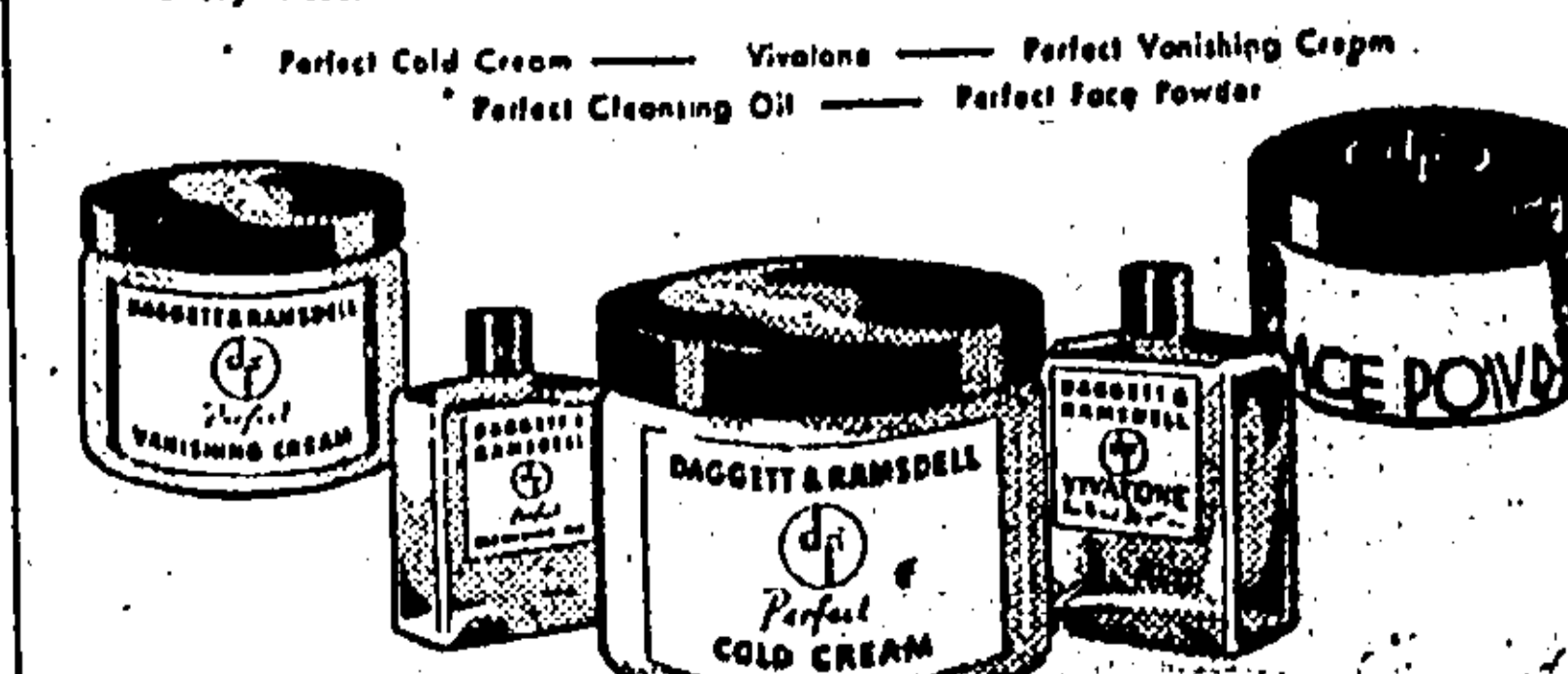


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## Spotlight On Little Berkhamsted

**T**AKE a village. For instance, Little Berkhamsted, Herts. And try to work out what war has done to local life. How many have gone? And how bright are the home fires burning?

Some 430 people live there. They live well but slowly. "It's a nothing, doing sort of a place," says Mr. Wasell, the village policeman. "The war is passing us by," says Lady Webster, leader of the Mothers' Union. "There's nothing to remind us of it," says Mrs. Hill, of the Five Horse-shoes.

Certainly there is nothing very warlike about the village in OUTWARD APPEARANCE, except for the horseshoe-shaped trench opposite the pub. There is a blackout, but there are no street lamps, and the locals like their sleep.

**OTHERWISE** it looks just the same. About 120 houses, mostly grouped along just over half a mile of the twisting village street, which measures two miles from boundary to boundary.

Two public houses and an office. A seventeenth-century church with a wooden belfry, a village hall, a general shop and post office, a garage, a blacksmith, and a £2000 war memorial on which there are nine names.

The nearest station is two miles away at Bayford, and the bus service is intermittent though adequate. Eight of the houses employ one or more gardeners, several having enough land for a home farm. There is no particular squire, though Major Somers, weather-beaten chairman of the parish council, is sometimes thought of rather in that way.

But the villagers are not very feudal. They have too many sources of employment, not only in big houses and farms, but in the local nursery industry. And some travel four and a-half miles to work in Hertford.

**FOUR** men had been called up when I was there. A G.P.O. linesman, a chauffeur, a Hertford toothbrush factory worker, and Lieut.-Colonel Crossland. They were happy to go, especially young Bert Roberts, the toothbrush worker. He has always been hungry for excitement, and he feels that this is his big chance.

There are five A.R.P. wardens, and several who didn't want to be left out but aren't officially recognised. Also two school wardens.

They have a siren, but so far the effect of using it has only been to make the villagers rush out into the street to discuss the excitement, and it is then very difficult to make them return.

Sixty attended the anti-gas classes; twenty took the exam. There are about a dozen qualified first-aid workers, including women. About forty attended the first-aid classes at first.

They have turned the village hall into a first-aid station. The first few nights of war a pair of them stayed on duty all night.

There are half a dozen special constables. **BUT** the most spectacular contribution to the defence of Little Berkhamsted is the trench. People were pessimistic about the prospect of getting local labour for nothing, but Leonard Hill, the pig-keeping publisher of the Five Horse-shoes, organised volunteers from the bnr.

They had been working on and off for eight weeks; fourteen of them worked all one Sunday. And the trench was nearly finished. It was also flooded.

Business at the Horse-shoes is not so good, for wages have not risen yet as prices have. The darts club, which has twenty-two members, cannot play matches because of the petrol shortage.

But conversation is not much about the war, though sometimes some one will keep bringing it up. Incidentally, the young men are, on the whole, more worried about it than the old ones.

**TURN** now to the WOMEN. To Mrs. Emily Roberts, motherly mother of Young Bert, who has gone off to war. She said to him, "Come back as soon as possible and do the best you can while you're there."

She said to me, "I miss him when he doesn't come home in the evenings. He's a fine boy, a lively one. My heart is sorry for any woman who has to lose a son or a husband or a sweetheart. I only wish they'd tell us more about what's going on. Yes, his father takes it very quiet, but sensible. He'll be all right, I hope. Yes, I worry sometimes, but what is to be will be."

"No, I'm not afraid of him getting married. He's too fond of the girls." The Women's Institute have started to make bed socks and operation stockings for the Red Cross. Because of the petrol shortage Mrs. Enderby, their leader, is having to look for local talent for lectures.

Mrs. Horne, at the local shop, told me it is difficult to get confectionery, and some people are having a hard time with the rising prices, especially the wives of two or three who have lost their men.

I went to see Frank Mudge, the local blacksmith. Because trade is slack he was out working for the rector.

Mrs. Mudge told me that we must make the best of it. As she spoke a whoop of laughter rang out from somewhere across the road. "Ah, that's Mudge," she said. "He keeps wonderfully cheerful."

**NOW** try to sum up the reactions and philosophy of the village as a whole.

There has been no boom in religion. There has been no wave of marriages. Only two since the war began.

Social life was handicapped for a time by shutting the village hall. It was reopened three weeks ago, and now there are whist drives but no dances. People still go to the pictures in Hertford, but the general tendency is to stay home more than ever.

"The women seem to like their husbands near them," says Mrs. Hill. But people don't talk about the war unless you do first. They don't like it, so they ignore it.

Their whole philosophy of war is that what is to be will be. That cliché is their guiding star. I must have heard it forty times in the two days I was there.

### A SQUARE DEAL

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liquidated Merchant Shipping Acts, for all foreign-going British vessels of 1000 tons gross and upwards, when clearing from the United Kingdom, to carry at least three duly certificated watchkeeping officers in addition to the master. The master of a ship is not a watchkeeping officer, for he has, nominally speaking, to be on watch all the time, as circumstances require. Even what is known as the "two-watch system," that is, the carrying of but two duly certificated mates in addition to the master, has been "scrapped" in the majority of reputable shipping companies, for it entails a four hours on and four hours off watch, which necessitates officers being on their feet for anything up to 17 hours out of the 24 and at the most they can never obtain more than three and a-half hours continuous rest. But what is to be said for a practice which permits the carrying, on British foreign-going vessels, of only one duly certificated mate? Yet such practice has been allowed for twenty years on British foreign-going vessels clearing from this Colony and, moreover, it is condoned by Government, for although the Fisheries Department will not allow unqualified Chinese to sign Articles of Agreement as "second mate" but as "buntswain" or "gunner," that Department knows full well that these unqualified ratings are performing the regular watchkeeping duties of a second mate. The danger of this practice can be better visualised when it is borne in mind that extra-hazardous cargoes such as gasoline and benzene have been and are being carried in these "one mate" ships and also at a time when practically every port on the China and adjacent coasts is mined. The Governments of Malaya and India do not recognise this practice and Hong Kong thus stands in the unique position of being the sole British Possession where this disgraceful state of affairs is in evidence and an eye closed to it.

A recent illustration was provided by the foundering of the British steamer "New Mathilde" on the 21st October. At the Court of Inquiry, I perpetrated the unpardonable blunder of referring to the unqualified rating who was performing regular watchkeeping duties on the vessel as the "second mate." In the Finding of the Court appears the recording:—

"...and that the following members of the crew were drowned:—Bontswain Fai Ng Au." If the bontswain was officially drowned, how, came a "bontswain" to give evidence at the Inquiry? It

is all very confusing. At the Inquiry I asked leave to put one or two questions to the rating who was performing watchkeeping duties on the ship and who, in fact, was alone in charge of the bridge during a vital period when the ship was leaking badly. My request was refused by the President and I submit, by virtue of the provisions in that respect, that his attitude was incorrect. The relevant proviso in the Merchant Shipping Ordinance reads:—

"Any person who shows that he has an interest in the investigation shall have a right to appear and be heard and any other person may be heard by leave of the Court."

I quite agree that the time of a Court of Inquiry cannot be wasted by irrelevant questions, asking questions, but the Merchant Service hardly comes within that category, as a party very much interested in the case, and particularly so when the evidence of the rating who was keeping regular watch on a British foreign-going ship, and also his replies to questions by the Court, were given wholly in a language other than English and through the medium of an interpreter! Further comment would be superfluous and assuredly so when the Merchant Shipping Acts call for a knowledge of the English language from even Allen deck ratings on British ships!

I think I have stated the position with sufficient clarity to convince the most sceptical that this need for drastic reform is not exaggerated.

The laissez faire attitude by Government is synonymous with that of a certain type of British shipping company on the China coast, for, whenever in the past most necessary and much overdue reforms have been suggested the attitude taken up has invariably been one which may be quoted as "When we're busy we've not got the time and when we're not busy we've not got the money." Such an attitude is not adopted by the old-established British passenger cargo coastal companies, but by certain concerns under the Red Ensign which have acquired a heterogeneous collection of second hand tonnage of 20 to 40 years' vintage, practically none of which units were constructed for sub-tropical trading conditions and the accommodation provided being compatible to a like era.

The Merchant Service wants neither "generosity," preferential treatment nor politicians' platitudes. All it asks for is a square deal and if Government and those British shipping companies I have in mind will but give effect to the interpretation of that request as it is ordinarily understood they will demonstrate in a practical manner that the regard for the welfare of the Service and the principle of safety of life at sea, is something more than superficial.



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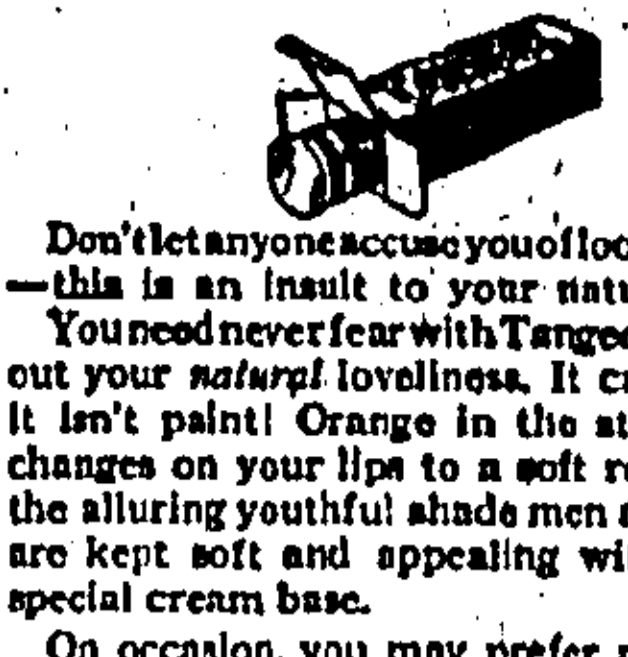
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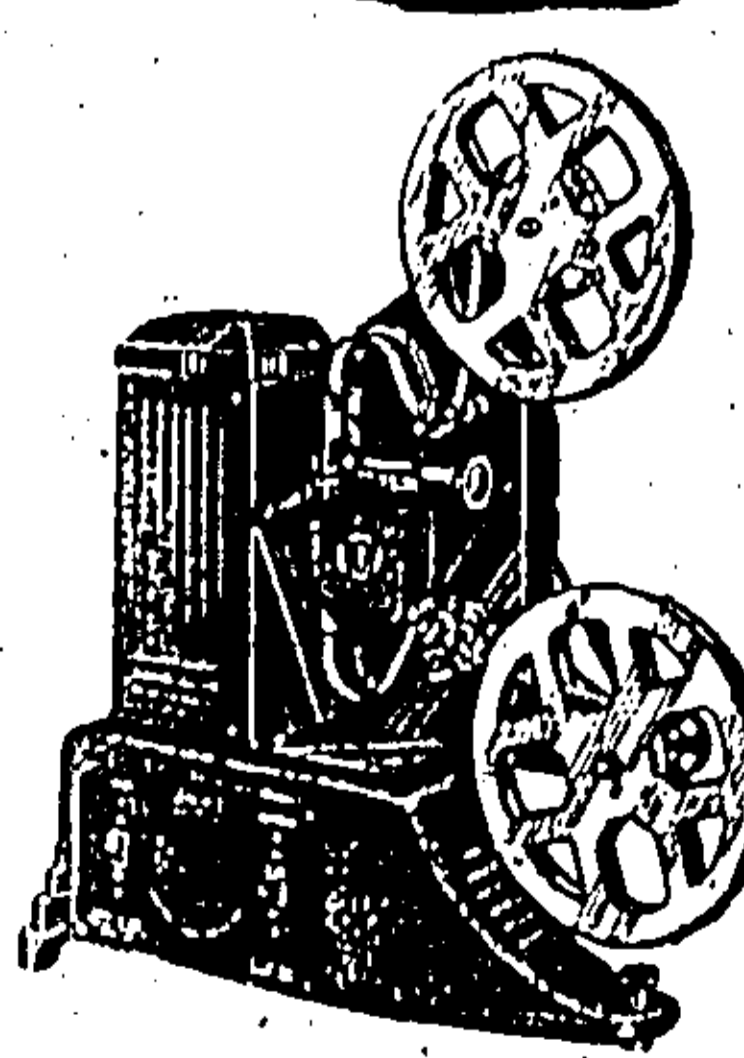
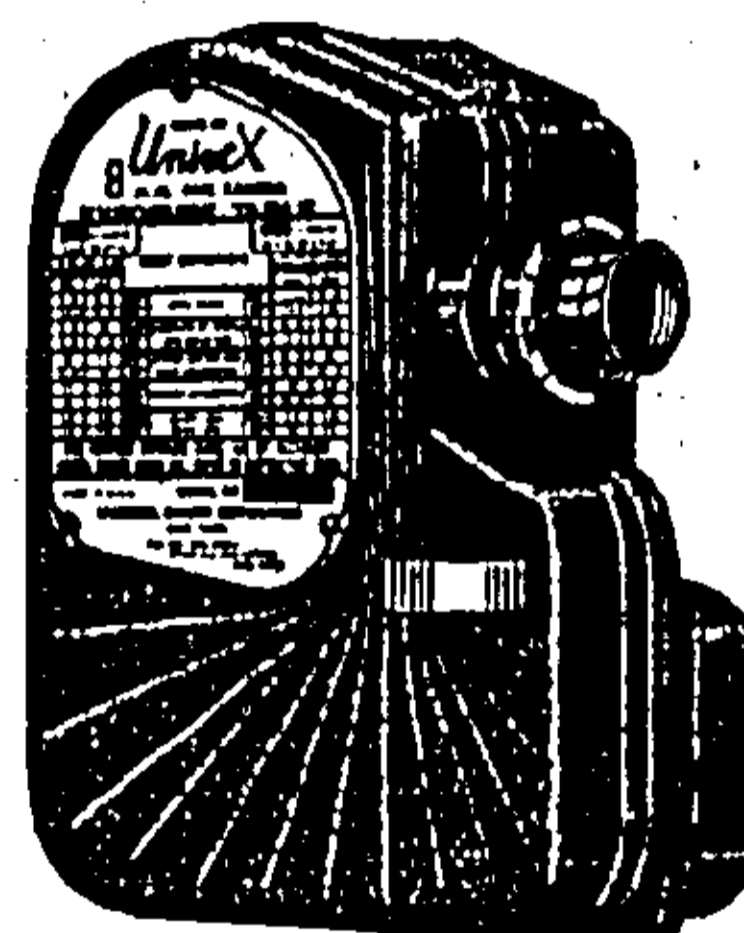
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to safe districts.  
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taken, half for the Eastern Area  
for which six trains will start  
from one London terminus.  
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which these arrangements have  
been made and it is expected to  
be able to repeat them on De-  
cember 10th. — British Wire-  
less.

### MOLOTOV SAYS:

## MATTERS NOT IMPROVED

Moscow, Yesterday.  
M. Molotov, the Soviet  
Premier and Foreign Minis-  
ter, in a communique in re-  
ply to President Roosevelt's  
Note, says that the substitu-  
tion of M. Candler's Gov-  
ernment by that of M. Tan-  
ner does not improve mat-  
ters.

The formation of the new "people's  
government" at Terolki, the Finnish  
frontier town occupied by the Red  
Army, gives hope of a peaceful set-  
tlement, says the communique, and the  
Soviet Government has decided to  
recognize it.

M. Kuusinen, premier of the "peo-  
ple's government," has announced his  
intention to establish diplomatic re-  
lations with the Soviet Union. —  
Reuter.

KUUSINEN AGREES  
(ODDLY ENOUGH)  
Moscow, Yesterday.  
According to the Tass agency, M.  
Kuusinen, Premier and Foreign  
Minister of the new Finnish "people's  
government," has informed the So-  
viet Government of his intention to  
establish diplomatic relations be-  
tween Finland and the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Government has de-  
cided to recognize the "people's gov-  
ernment" and to establish diplomatic  
relations with it. — Reuter.  
"EVIL GENIUS"  
Moscow, Yesterday.  
M. Molotov, in a communique in  
reply to President Roosevelt's Note  
states that the substitution of M. Can-  
lander's Government by one under  
M. Tanner does not improve mat-  
ters.

M. Tanner was and undoubtedly  
remains the evil genius of the So-  
viet-Finnish negotiations. — Reuter.  
"FINNISH" MANIFESTO  
(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Moscow, Yesterday.  
The Soviet papers prominently dis-  
play the manifesto of the "Finnish  
Popular Government," and assert  
that an uprising will occur through-  
out Finland.

The manifesto demands the consti-  
tution of a "Finnish Popular Army,"  
the signing of a Soviet-Finnish mu-  
tual assistance pact, the nationaliza-  
tion of factories and banks, the  
liquidation of unemployment, the  
establishment of an 8-hours' work-  
ing day and the confiscation of big land  
holdings. — Havas.

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M. Ryti, who is a former Governor of the Bank of  
Finland, is well-known in London, where he  
has been a frequent visitor. He is a K.C.V.O.  
It is understood that M. Ryti's Government was  
prepared to enter into relations with the So-  
viet Government on a basis of military stand-  
still.

There is, however, no expectation in London that the So-  
viet Government on their side will take advantage of  
the spirit of accommodation manifested by M. Ryti's  
Government in order to bring hostilities to an end.

This view gains confirmation from  
the announcement of the Moscow  
radio of the formation of what pur-  
ports to be a new Finnish Govern-  
ment at Terolki.

This news is read here in the  
light of passages in M. Molotov's  
midnight broadcast on Wednesday,  
day, in which the Soviet Premier  
let it be understood that given  
orientation of Finnish policy in  
the direction desired by Moscow,  
the Soviet Government would  
be willing to allow a reunion of  
the Karelian population of the  
Soviet Union with the Karelians  
of Finland under what he was  
pleased to describe as an "in-  
dependent Finnish Government."

It has not been overlooked here  
that the Premier of the new and  
presumably "independent" govern-  
ment which has been formed at  
Terolki is M. Kuusinen, who was for  
some years Secretary of the Comin-  
tern and is remembered in Britain  
as one of the signatories of the  
"Zinoviev letter," which figured pro-  
minently at the General Election  
here 15 years ago.

Reports received from the British  
Minister at Helsinki, Mr. T. M. Snow,  
indicate that the Finnish Govern-  
ment have no present intention of  
evacuating the capital, and Mr. Snow  
is remaining at his post. — British  
Wireless.

### THE NEW RYTI GOVERNMENT

(Special To "Sunday Herald")  
Helsinki, Yesterday.  
M. Risto Ryti, a former Governor  
of the Bank of Finland, has formed  
his new Cabinet.

The former Finance Minister, M.  
Tanner (a Socialist) takes the For-  
eign Affairs portfolio.  
M. Paasilampi, who headed the Fin-  
nish delegation to Moscow, is Minis-  
ter without Portfolio.

The Home Ministry has been given  
to a member of the Swedish  
People's Party. — Havas.

### NEW GOVERNMENT'S POLICY

(Special To "Sunday Herald")  
Bern, Yesterday.  
It is reliably reported that the new  
Finnish Government does not intend  
to give up the country's defence, al-  
though it might seek contact with  
the Soviet in the hope of solving  
whatever flimsy chance there may  
be of an honourable settlement ex-  
cluding disastrous warfare. — Havas.

## SOVIET AIM CLEAR

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
PARIS, YESTERDAY.  
EVENTS OF THE LAST 48  
HOURS CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE  
THE SOVIET AIMS, IN THE OPIN-  
ION OF FRENCH POLITICAL CIR-  
CLES.

The Soviet aims to occupy all strate-  
gic positions in the Baltic and to  
transform Finland into a Soviet pro-  
tectate under a communist govern-  
ment.

The speed with which the  
Soviet radio announced the for-  
mation of the Karelian Finnish  
revolutionary government points  
to a prepared scheme.

The revolutionary president is  
Kuusinen, who has not lived in Fin-  
land since 1919, when he fled to  
Russia and became a member of the  
executive committee of the Comin-  
tern. — Havas.

## NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK

London, Yesterday.  
An 8,000-ton Norwegian  
steamer, the Realf, was sunk  
in the North Sea on Thurs-  
day night, says an an-  
nouncement issued to-day.

There was an explosion but it is  
not known if the ship was sunk by  
a torpedo or a mine.

One of the crew is missing but the  
rest of those on board are safe.

Forty-four of the crew and 10  
others took to the boats and were  
rescued by an Italian steamer,  
which signalled for the shore  
lifboat.

The survivors were landed at an  
East Coast port last night. — Reuter.

## SINGAPORE RECORD

Singapore, Yesterday.  
Mr. H. A. Rogers, Chairman of the  
Singapore Harbour Board, declared  
to-day that since the outbreak of  
war, the Board had defensively arm-  
ed 62 merchant vessels and had con-  
verted many others into armed auxi-  
liaries.

He thought this was a feat un-  
equalled by any other port in the  
Empire. — Reuter.

### ROOSEVELT TO STAY IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Yesterday.  
Indicating the gravity with which  
he views the Finnish situation, Pre-  
sident Roosevelt to-day cancelled  
his scheduled week-end trip to the  
country.  
The President is remaining at the  
White House, and will be ready  
to deal with any developments. — Reu-  
ter.

### NO CONFIRMATION

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
Rumours circulating in the Scan-  
dinavian countries of a possible ar-  
mistice following the formation of the  
new Finnish Government are not  
confirmed here. — Reuter.



The making of predators.  
Assembling the "care" for the  
looters. (Copyright, By Air  
Mail).

## M. RYTI'S BROADCAST

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
M. Ryti, the new Finnish Premier,  
in a broadcast to the United States,  
said all the Finnish people wanted  
was the right to live in political  
independence.

M. Tanner, the Foreign Minister,  
made a similar statement. — Reuter.

London, Yesterday.  
The Prime Minister was received  
by the King last evening. — British  
Wireless.

### FINLAND: LATE BULLETINS

## KYROV NOT SUNK, BUT BADLY HIT

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
IT NOW APPEARS THAT the Red cruiser Kirov,  
which suffered a direct hit from Finnish coastal  
batteries at Hangoe, was not sunk, as pre-  
viously reported.  
The Kirov, one of Russia's newest and best ships,  
managed to limp away after being hit. She  
was badly damaged, but the full extent is not  
known.

Soviet warships off the island of  
Seltaken are alleged to have sunk a  
ship full of escaping coastguards, or  
whom they "practised rifle fire" as  
they swam.

Although Helsinki and many other  
towns were raided yesterday, lit-  
tle damage was done and not a single  
soldier was killed.

On the Karelian front it is  
stated that 17 Soviet planes were  
brought down, six of them by  
one Finnish night-lieutenant.

Nineteen Soviet tanks have been  
put out of action in two days.

### UNITED COUNTRY

According to the Finnish radio, M.  
Cajander's Government resigned be-  
cause 25 per cent. of the military  
parties were not represented in it  
and henceforth the responsibility  
will be shared by the whole popula-  
tion.

The evacuation of all towns in the  
danger zone has been ordered, and  
schools have closed.

Germany is representing Soviet  
interests in Finland. — Reuter.

### FINNISH FLEET OFFERS ACTION

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
The Finnish fleet, which steamed  
out yesterday, engaged the Red war-  
ships which were shelling the Hangoe  
shore defences. In the first naval  
engagement of the hostilities.  
One Finnish coastguard vessel was  
sunk in the naval battle.

## RIDDLE OF GERMAN POLICY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.  
All papers are front-pag-  
ing the developments in the  
Russian invasion, while  
most are of the opinion that  
the Soviet move, which could  
only have been taken with  
Germany's consent, will  
finally prove detrimental to  
the Reich.

The well-known commentator  
Perrinax, writing in "L'Ordre," says:  
—"Questions existing since the be-  
ginning of the war reappear."  
"Did the Soviet Union act inde-  
pendently or with Germany's ap-  
proval?"

"Let us be content for the time  
being, noting that recent events  
have destroyed any illusions which  
might have remained as concerning  
neutrality, which may have had  
some meaning when the questions  
at stake in the war were limited,  
but is no more the case."  
Genevieve Tabouis, in "L'Oeuvre,"  
writes: — "Whatever repercussions  
there are in other countries in  
Europe, the Soviet aggression against  
Finland makes it clearly apparent  
that Germany is losing on all fronts."  
"The Baltic is becoming a Soviet  
lake. It is difficult to see what ad-  
vantages Berlin could get out of this  
situation." — Havas.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Baghdad, Yesterday.  
Mr. Tarki Koma, Japan's first  
Minister to Iraq, has arrived in  
Baghdad. — Havas.

### U. S. RESIDENTS SAFE

Washington, Yesterday.  
American residents of Helsinki are  
being accommodated in a temporary  
location outside the Finnish capital,  
the State Department has been ad-  
vised. — Reuter.

### FAMOUS COMPOSER REPORTED SAFE

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
Jean Sibelius, the great Finnish  
composer, is believed to be safe at  
his country home outside the capital.  
— Reuter.

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